

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): June 30, 2025



**Ascent Industries Co.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<b>Delaware</b> (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	<b>0-19687</b> (Commission File Number)	<b>57-0426694</b> (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
<b>20 N. Martingale Rd, Suite 430, Schaumburg, Illinois</b> (Address of principal executive offices)	<b>(630) 884-9181</b> (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)	<b>60173</b> (Zip Code)
<b>Inapplicable</b> (Former name or former address if changed since last report)		

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)  
☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)  
☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))  
☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<b><u>Title of each class</u></b>	<b><u>Trading Symbol</u></b>	<b><u>Name of exchange on which registered</u></b>
Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share	ACNT	NASDAQ Global Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On June 30, 2025, Ascent Industries Co. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing its inclusion in the Russell 2000® and Russell 3000® Indexes, according to a list of additions posted by FTSE Russell. The reconstituted indexes will begin trading on Monday, June 30, 2025. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference. The information contained in any website is not a part of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information included in this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing. The information set forth under this Item 7.01 shall not be deemed an admission as to the materiality of any information in this Current Report on Form 8-K that is required to be disclosed solely to satisfy the requirements of Regulation FD.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
<a href="#">99.1</a>	<a href="#">Press Release dated June 30, 2025</a>
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

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## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: June 30, 2025

### **ASCENT INDUSTRIES CO.**

By: /s/ Ryan Kavalauskas

Ryan Kavalauskas

Chief Financial Officer



### **Ascent Industries' Transformation Recognized with Russell 2000 Index Inclusion**

**Schaumburg, Ill, June 30, 2025** - Ascent Industries Co. (Nasdaq: ACNT) (“Ascent” or the “Company”), joined the Russell 2000® Index, effective upon the U.S. market open on June 30, 2025, as part of the 2025 Russell indexes reconstitution.

The annual reconstitution of the Russell US indexes captures the 4,000 largest US stocks as of April 30th, ranking them by total market capitalization. Membership in the Russell 3000® Index, which remains in place for one year, means automatic inclusion in the small-cap Russell 2000 Index as well as the appropriate growth and value style indexes. FTSE Russell determines membership for its Russell indexes primarily by objective, market-capitalization rankings and style attributes.

“Our inclusion in the Russell 2000 Index marks a meaningful milestone in what has been an extraordinary turnaround for Ascent,” said Bryan Kitchen, Chief Executive Officer. “Over the past 18 months, we’ve reshaped the company—divesting legacy businesses, and building a more focused, profitable enterprise. This recognition underscores the progress we’ve made and increases our visibility with institutional investors as we continue driving long-term, durable growth.”

Russell indexes are widely used by investment managers and institutional investors for index funds and as benchmarks for active investment strategies. According to data as of the end of June 2024, about \$10.6 trillion in assets are benchmarked against the Russell US indexes, which belong to FTSE Russell, the global index provider.

For more information on the Russell 3000® Index and the Russell indexes reconstitution, go to the “Russell Reconstitution” section on the FTSE Russell website.

#### **About Ascent Industries Co.**

Ascent Industries Co. (Nasdaq: ACNT) is a company that engages in the production of specialty chemicals. For more information about Ascent, please visit its website at [www.ascentco.com](http://www.ascentco.com).

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