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): February 19, 2020

WAYSIDE TECHNOLOGY GROUP, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-26408 (Commission File Number)

13-3136104 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

4 Industrial Way West, Suite 300, Eatontown New Jersey (Address of principal executive offices)

07724 (Zip Code)

732-389-0932

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(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))

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

Emerging growth company \Box

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. 🗆

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

Title of each class:	Trading Symbol	Name of each exchange on which registered:
Common stock, \$.01 par value	WSTG	The NASDAQ Global Market

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 19, 2020, Wayside Technology Group, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2019. A copy of this press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2. of Form 8-K, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, 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, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated February 19, 2020.

SIGNATURE

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

WAYSIDE TECHNOLOGY GROUP, INC.

Date: February 19, 2020

By: <u>/s/ Michael Vesey</u> Name: Michael Vesey Title: Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Wayside Technology Group Reports Fourth Quarter and Record Full Year 2019 Results

- Record Annual Net Sales of \$208.8 Million and Net Income of \$6.8 Million -

- Annual Adjusted EBITDA (a non-GAAP financial measure defined below) of \$10.5 Million and Return on Invested Capital (see calculation defined below) of 24.5% -

- Returned \$3.1 Million of Capital to Shareholders in 2019 via Dividends -

Eatontown, NJ – February 19, 2020 –Wayside Technology Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: WSTG) ("Wayside" or the "Company"), an IT channel company providing innovative sales and distribution solutions, is reporting results for the fourth guarter and full year ended December 31, 2019, and is declaring a guarterly dividend of \$0.17 per share.

Fourth Quarter 2019 Highlights vs. Same Year-Ago Quarter

- Net sales increased 24% to \$60.9 million.
- Gross profit increased 9% to \$7.9 million.
- Net income increased 16% to \$2.0 million or \$0.45 per share.
- Adjusted EBITDA (a non-GAAP financial measure defined below) increased 11% to \$2.9 million.

Full Year 2019 Highlights vs. 2018

- Net sales increased 15% to \$208.8 million.
- · Gross profit increased 11% to \$30.0 million.
- Net income increased 92% to \$6.8 million or \$1.51 per share.
- Net income excluding separation expenses, net of taxes (a non-GAAP financial measure defined below) increased 24% to \$6.9 million.
- · Adjusted EBITDA (a non-GAAP financial measure defined below) increased 14% to \$10.5 million.

Management Commentary

"Our strong fourth quarter and record full year results reflect the benefits of the various investments and initiatives we have undertaken since 2018," said Dale Foster, CEO of Wayside. "We have become a sales-focused organization through our Lifeboat Distribution business, and the investments in our sales teams and processes have led to our first year of double-digit gross profit growth since 2011. In fact, during the fourth quarter, our sales team brought in what we believe to be the largest booking in Company history, further validating that our strategy to deepen customer relationships and expand our vendor network is working.

"As we look to 2020, we plan to carry this strong momentum through the year and drive sustainable, profitable growth through our Lifeboat Distribution business. Our financial goals focus on both gross profit and adjusted EBITDA, which is a new metric that we are introducing this quarter as a



supplemental measure of the profitability of our operations. With the scalability in our business model, we continue to believe that we can flow through a significant portion of our growth in gross profit to pre-tax income. We look forward to further executing on our strategy and delivering value for all Wayside stakeholders in 2020 and the years ahead."

Fourth Quarter 2019 Financial Results

Net sales in the fourth quarter of 2019 increased 24% to \$60.9 million compared to \$49.1 million for the same period in 2018. Lifeboat Distribution segment net sales in the fourth quarter increased 30% to \$57.4 million compared to \$44.3 million, and TechXtend segment net sales for the fourth quarter were \$3.5 million compared to \$4.8 million.

Adjusted gross billings (a non-GAAP financial measure defined below) in the fourth quarter of 2019 increased 25% to \$167.5 million compared to \$134.3 million for the same period last year.

Gross profit in the fourth quarter of 2019 increased 9% to \$7.9 million compared to \$7.2 million for the same period in 2018. The increase was driven by the Company's primary business segment, Lifeboat Distribution, which benefitted from the addition of multiple new technology vendors and strong organic growth with existing clients.

Total selling, general, and administrative ("SG&A") expenses in the fourth quarter of 2019 were \$5.3 million compared to \$5.1 million for the same period in 2018. As a percentage of revenue, SG&A decreased 150 basis points to 8.8% compared to 10.3% in 2018, with the decrease driven by prudent cost management and improvements in operating efficiency.

Net income in the fourth quarter of 2019 increased 16% to \$2.0 million or \$0.45 per diluted share, compared to \$1.7 million or \$0.39 per diluted share for the same period in 2018.

Adjusted EBITDA in the fourth quarter of 2019 increased 11% to \$2.9 million compared to \$2.6 million in 2018, with the increase driven by the aforementioned organic growth with existing clients and new vendor additions, coupled with prudent cost management and operating efficiencies.

Effective margin, which is defined as adjusted EBITDA (a non-GAAP financial measure defined below) as a percentage of gross profit, increased 90 basis points to 37.1% compared to 36.2% in the prior year period.

Full Year 2019 Financial Results

Total net sales in 2019 increased 15% to \$208.8 million compared to \$181.4 million in 2018. Lifeboat Distribution segment net sales increased 18% to \$193.6 million compared to \$163.6 million in 2018, and TechXtend segment net sales were \$15.2 million compared to \$17.9 million.

Adjusted gross billings (a non-GAAP financial measure defined below) in 2019 increased 18% to \$601.0 million compared to \$510.0 million in 2018.

Gross profit in 2019 increased 11% to \$30.0 million compared to \$26.9 million in 2018.

Total SG&A expenses in 2019 decreased 6% to \$21.5 million compared to \$22.8 million in 2018. As a percentage of revenue, SG&A decreased 220 basis points to 10.3% compared to 12.5% in 2018. SG&A expenses included executive separation expenses of \$0.1 million in 2019 and \$2.4 million in 2018.



Net income in 2019 increased 92% to \$6.8 million or \$1.51 per diluted share, compared to \$3.5 million or \$0.78 per diluted share in 2018.

Net income excluding separation expenses, net of taxes (a non-GAAP financial measure defined below) in 2019 increased 24% to \$6.9 million compared to \$5.5 million last year.

Adjusted EBITDA (a non-GAAP financial measure defined below) in 2019 increased 14% to \$10.5 million compared to \$9.2 million in 2018. Effective margin increased 70 basis points to 34.8% compared to 34.1% in the prior year period.

Dividends per share declared in 2019 were \$0.68, which is flat compared to the prior year.

Cash and cash equivalents were \$15.0 million at December 31, 2019 compared to \$14.9 million at December 31, 2018. The Company remained debt free at both December 31, 2019 and December 31, 2018.

Dividend

Subsequent to the quarter, on February 18, 2020, Wayside's board of directors declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.17 per share of its common stock payable on March 6, 2020 to shareholders of record on March 2, 2020.

Unsolicited Proposal

On December 10, 2019, Wayside received a preliminary unsolicited proposal from Shepherd Kaplan Krochuk, LLC and North & Webster SSG, LLC (together, the "N&W Group") to acquire the Company for \$16.38 per share, subject to certain conditions. Although the N&W Group's offer expired on December 16, 2019, Wayside's board of directors took extensive measures to evaluate their proposal, including engaging Stifel Financial Corporation ("Stifel") to act as financial advisor to the board. Wayside management, members of the board of directors and Stifel engaged with principals of the N&W Group on multiple occasions to discuss their expired bid. After a thorough review of the inbound inquiry and in consultation with its advisors, the board determined that the expired bid was not in the best interest of shareholders and did not serve as a basis for further diligence or discussion. This was communicated to the N&W Group on February 11, 2020.

Conference Call

Wayside Technology Group will conduct a conference call today at 10:00 a.m. Eastern time to discuss its results for the fourth quarter and full year ended December 31, 2019.

Wayside management will host the conference call, followed by a question and answer period.

Date: Wednesday, February 19, 2020 Time: 10:00 a.m. Eastern time Toll-free dial-in number: 1-844-683-0552 Conference ID: 7289306

Please call the conference telephone number 5-10 minutes prior to the start time. An operator will register your name and organization. If you have any difficulty connecting with the conference call, please contact Gateway Investor Relations at 1-949-574-3860.



The conference call will be broadcast live and available for replay via webcast here, and on the investor relations section of the company's website at www.waysidetechnology.com/site/content/webcasts.

About Wayside Technology Group

Wayside Technology Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: WSTG) is an IT channel company and parent of Lifeboat Distribution, an international value-added distributor for Emerging Technology Vendors with solutions for Security, Data Management, Connectivity, Storage & HCI, Virtualization & Cloud and Software & ALM. Lifeboat provides vendors access to thousands of VARs, MSPs, CSPs and other resellers. Lifeboat holds an IT-70 GSA contract vehicle that provides resellers and vendors with a competitive edge within the Public Sector.

Additional information can be found by visiting www.waysidetechnology.com.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

We use non-GAAP financial measures, including adjusted gross billings, net income excluding separation expenses, net of taxes, and adjusted EBITDA as supplemental measures of the performance of our business. Our use of these financial measures has limitations and you should not consider them in isolation or use them as substitutes for analysis of our financial results under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"). The attached tables provide a reconciliation of each non-GAAP financial measure to the most nearly comparable measure under U.S. GAAP.

Forward-Looking Statements

The statements in this release concerning the Company's future prospects are forward-looking statements that involve certain risks and uncertainties. Such risks and uncertainties include the continued acceptance of the Company's distribution channel by vendors and customers, the timely availability and acceptance of new products, and contribution of key vendor relationships and support programs. The forward-looking statements contained herein are also subject generally to other risks and uncertainties that are described from time to time in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC").

Important Additional Information

The Company, its directors and certain of its executive officers are participants in the solicitation of proxies from the Company's shareholders in connection with the Company's 2020 annual meeting of shareholders. The Company intends to file a definitive proxy statement and a WHITE proxy card with the SEC in connection with any such solicitation of proxies from the Company's shareholders. SHAREHOLDERS OF THE COMPANY ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO READ SUCH PROXY STATEMENT, ACCOMPANYING WHITE PROXY CARD AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE SEC CAREFULLY AND IN THEIR ENTIRETY WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE AS THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION. The Company's soliciting material filed with the SEC on January 15, 2020 as DEFA 14A (the "DEFA 14A") contains information regarding the direct and indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, of the Company's directors and executive officers in the Company's securities. If the holdings of the Company's securities change from the amounts provided in the DEFA 14A, such changes will be set forth in SEC filings on Forms 3, 4, and 5, which can be found through the Company's website at www.waysidetechnology.com or through the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. Information can also be found in the Company's other SEC filings, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended



December 31, 2018. Updated information regarding the identity of potential participants, and their direct or indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, will be set forth in the company's definitive proxy statement and other materials to be filed with the SEC in connection with the 2020 annual meeting of shareholders. Shareholders will be able to obtain the definitive proxy statement, any amendments or supplements to the proxy statement and other documents filed by the Company with the SEC at no charge at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. Copies will also be available at no charge at the Company's website at www.waysidetechnology.com.

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WAYSIDE TECHNOLOGY GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Unaudited) (Amounts in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	December 3			31,	
	_	2019		2018	
ASSETS					
Current assets:	.		.		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	14,984	\$	14,883	
Accounts receivable, net of allowances of \$765 and \$785, respectively		100,987		81,351	
Inventory, net		2,760		1,473	
Vendor prepayments		100		3,172	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		2,718		1,988	
Total current assets		121,549		102,867	
Equipment and leasehold improvements, net		1,215		1,588	
Right-of-use assets, net		1,792			
Accounts receivable-long-term, net		1,358		3,156	
Other assets		111		215	
Deferred income taxes		256		145	
	\$	126,281	\$	107,971	
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Current liabilities:	¢	70.044	¢	66.650	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	78,364	\$	66,653	
Lease liability, current portion		383			
Total current liabilities		78,747		66,653	
Lease liability, net of current portion		2,189		_	
Non-current liabilities		89		745	
Total liabilities		81.025		67.398	
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Commitments and contingencies					
Stockholders' equity:					
Common stock, \$.01 par value; 10,000,000 shares authorized; 5,284,500 shares issued: 4,505,693					
and 4,496,494 shares outstanding, respectively		53		53	
Additional paid-in capital		32.874		32.392	
Treasury stock, at cost, 778,807 and 788,006 shares, respectively		(13,256)		(13,447)	
Retained earnings		26.715		22.994	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(1,130)		(1,419)	
Total stockholders' equity		45,256		40,573	
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WAYSIDE TECHNOLOGY GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited) (Amounts in thousands, except per share data)

	Year ended December 31,			Three month Decembe				
		2019		2018	_	2019		2018
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Net sales Lifeboat segment	\$	193,558	\$	163,564	\$	57,369	\$	44.256
TechXtend segment	\$	15,201	Э	17,880	Ф	3,493	Э	44,236
Total net sales		208,759		181,444		60,862		49,055
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Cost of sales								
Lifeboat segment		166,785		140,123		50,304		37,914
TechXtend segment		12,007		14,401		2,699		3,917
Total Cost of sales		178,792		154,524		53,003		41,831
Gross profit								
Lifeboat segment		26,773		23,441		7,065		6,342
TechXtend segment		3,194		3,479		794		882
Total gross profit		29,967		26,920		7,859		7,224
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Selling, general and administrative expenses Selling costs		11.629		10.627		2,985		2,854
Share-based compensation		759		1,108		2,985		149
Separation expenses (1)		100		2,446		139		149
Other general and administrative expenses		9,013		8,584		2,202		2,068
Total selling, general and administrative expenses		21.501		22,765		5,326		5,071
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Income from operations		8,466		4.155		2,533		2,153
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Interest, net		500		907		84		162
Foreign currency transaction gain		82		55		42		15
Income before provision for income taxes		9,048		5,117		2,659		2,330
Provision for income taxes		2,261		1,579		637		591
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Net income	<u>\$</u>	6,787	\$	3,538	\$	2,022	\$	1,739
Income per common share - Basic	\$	1.51	\$	0.78	\$	0.45	S	0.39
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Weighted average common shares outstanding - Basic		4,421		4,358		4,439		4,397
Weighted average common shares outstanding - Diluted	_	4,421	-	4,358	_	4,439	-	4,397
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Dividends paid per common share	\$	0.68	\$	0.68	\$	0.17		0.17
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(1) Includes \$1,661 of stock compensation during the year ended December 31, 2018.



Reconciliation of GAAP and Non-GAAP Financial Measures (unaudited) (Amounts in thousands, except per share data)

The table below presents net sales reconciled to adjusted gross billings (Non-GAAP):

	Year ended December 31,			Three mo Decem				
		2019		2018		2019		2018
Adjusted Gross Billings (Non-GAAP) (1)					_			
Net sales	\$	208,759	\$	181,444	\$	60,862	\$	49,055
Costs of sales related to Software – security and highly interdependent with support and maintenance, support or other		,		-)				.,
services		392,264		328,506		106,642		85,280
Adjusted gross billings (non-GAAP)	\$	601,023	\$	509,950	\$	167,504	\$	134,335

(1) We define adjusted gross billings as net sales in accordance with U.S. GAAP, adjusted for the cost of sales related to Software – security and highly interdependent with support and maintenance, support and other services. We provided a reconciliation of adjusted gross billings to net sales, which is the most directly comparable U.S. GAAP measure. We use adjusted gross billings of product and services as a supplemental measure of our performance to gain insight into the volume of business generated by our business, and to analyze the changes to our accounts receivable and accounts payable. Our use of adjusted gross billings of product and services as analytical tools has limitations, and you should not consider them in isolation or as substitutes for analysis of our financial results as reported under U.S. GAAP. In addition, other companies, including companies in our industry, might calculate adjusted gross billings of product and services or similarly titled measures differently, which may reduce their usefulness as comparative measures.



The tables below present net income reconciled to net income excluding separation expenses, net of taxes (Non-GAAP) (2), net income reconciled to adjusted EBITDA (3) and calculation of return on invested capital (4):

	Year ended December 31,			Three mon Decemb				
		2019 2018		2019			2018	
Net income reconciled to net income excluding separation expenses, net of taxes (Non-GAAP):								
Net income	\$	6,787	\$	3,538	\$	2,022	\$	1,739
Separation expenses		100		2,446		-		-
Income tax benefits related to separation expenses		(24)		(438)		-		-
Net income excluding separation expenses, net of taxes	\$	6,863	\$	5,546	\$	2,022	\$	1,739

(2) We define net income excluding separation expenses, net of taxes, as net income, plus separation expenses, less the income tax benefit attributable to the separation expenses. We provided a reconciliation of net income excluding separation expenses, net of taxes, to net income, which is the most directly comparable U.S. GAAP measures. We use net income excluding separation expense, net of taxes as supplemental measures of our performance to gain insight into comparison of our businesses profitability when compared to the prior year. Our use of net income excluding separation expenses, net of taxes has limitations, and you should not consider it in isolation or as a substitute for analysis of our financial results as reported under U.S. GAAP. In addition, other companies, including companies in our industry, might calculate separation expenses, separation expenses net of taxes, or similarly titled measures differently, which may reduce their usefulness as comparative measures.



		Year ended December 31,			Three mont Decemb				
		2019		2018		2019		2018	
Net income reconciled to adjusted EBITDA:									
Net income	\$	6,787	\$	3,538	\$	2,022	\$	1,739	
Provision for income taxes		2,261		1,579		637		591	
Depreciation and amortization		488		482		108		124	
Interest expense		58		37		10		13	
EBITDA	-	9,594	_	5,636		2,777		2,467	
Share-based compensation		759		1,108		139		149	
Separation expenses		100		2,446		-		-	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	10,453	\$	9,190	\$	2,916	\$	2,616	

(3) We define adjusted EBITDA, as net income, plus provision for income taxes, depreciation, amortization, share-based compensation, interest and separation expenses. We provided a reconciliation of adjusted EBITDA to net income, which is the most directly comparable U.S. GAAP measure. We use adjusted EBITDA as a supplemental measure of our performance to gain insight into comparison of our businesses profitability when compared to the prior year and our competitors. Adjusted EBITDA is also a component to our financial covenants in our credit facility. Our use of adjusted EBITDA has limitations, and you should not consider it in isolation or as a substitute for analysis of our financial results as reported under U.S. GAAP. In addition, other companies, including companies in our industry, might calculate adjusted EBITDA, or similarly titled measures differently, which may reduce their usefulness as comparative measures.

The following represents the components of interest, net:

	Year ended December 31,				ended 31,			
		2019 2018		2019			2018	
Components of interest, net	-				_			
Amortization of discount on accounts receivable with extended								
payment terms	\$	(457)	\$	(869)	\$	(68)	\$	(135)
Interest income		(101)		(75)		(26)		(40)
Interest expense		58		37		10		13
Interest, net	\$	(500)	\$	(907)	\$	(84)	\$	(162)



Calculation of average invested capital:	 As of December 31,				
	 2019	2018			
Stockholders' equity	\$ 45,256	\$	40,573		
Less: cash	(14,984)		(14,883)		
Invested capital	\$ 30,272	\$	25,690		
Average invested capital	\$ 27,981				

Calculation of return on invested capital:	Year ended
	 December 31,
	 2019
Net income excluding separation expenses, net of taxes	\$ 6,863
Average invested capital	\$ 27,981
Return on invested capital	24.5%

(4) We define return on invested capital as net income excluding separation expenses, net of taxes (a non-GAAP financial measure) divided by average invested capital. We define average invested capital as the average stockholders' equity less cash.