

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 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 2, 2026

KADANT INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission file number 001-11406

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

52-1762325
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**One Technology Park Drive
Westford, Massachusetts 01886**
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)
(978) 776-2000
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

- 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 Securities Exchange Act of 1934:

<u>Title of each class</u>	<u>Trading Symbol(s)</u>	<u>Name of each exchange on which registered</u>
Common Stock, \$.01 par value	KAI	New York Stock Exchange

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

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 February 3, 2026, Kadant Inc. ("Kadant" or the "Company") will hold its previously announced webcast and conference call to discuss its proposed acquisition of voestalpine BÖHLER Profil GmbH & Co KG ("voestalpine BÖHLER Profil") (the "Acquisition") at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time. A copy of our investor presentation with an overview of the Acquisition that will be presented on the webcast and discussed in the conference call is furnished as Exhibit 99 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is posted in the "Investors" section of the Company's website at kadant.com.

The information contained in this Item 7.01 (including Exhibit 99) shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Safe Harbor Statement

The following constitutes a "Safe Harbor" statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: This Current Report on Form 8-K contains forward-looking statements that involve a number of risks and uncertainties, including forward-looking statements about the financial and operating performance of voestalpine BÖHLER Profil, the benefits of the proposed Acquisition, the probable timing and financing of the Acquisition, and the expected future business and financial performance of voestalpine BÖHLER Profil and Kadant. These forward-looking statements represent our expectations as of the date of this Current Report on Form 8-K. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise. These forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties that may cause our actual results to differ materially from these forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors, including those set forth under the heading "Risk Factors" in Kadant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 28, 2024 and subsequent filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These include risks and uncertainties relating to the ability to consummate the Acquisition; the ability to obtain financing to complete the Acquisition; Kadant's ability to successfully integrate voestalpine BÖHLER Profil and its operations and employees and realize anticipated benefits from the Acquisition; unanticipated disruptions to the business, general and regional economic conditions, and the future performance of voestalpine BÖHLER Profil; the risk that the conditions to the closing of the Acquisition are not satisfied; potential adverse reactions or changes to business or employee relationships, including those resulting from the announcement or completion of the Acquisition; uncertainties as to the timing of the Acquisition; competitive, investor or customer responses to the Acquisition; the ability to realize anticipated synergies and cost savings; unexpected costs, charges or expenses resulting from the Acquisition; adverse changes in global and local economic conditions; the variability and difficulty in accurately predicting revenues from large capital equipment and systems projects; our acquisition strategy; levels of residential construction activity; reductions by our wood processing customers of their capital spending or production of oriented strand board; changes to the global timber supply; development and use of digital media; cyclical economic conditions affecting the global mining industry; demand for coal, including economic and environmental risks associated with coal; failure of our information systems or breaches of data security and cybersecurity incidents; implementation of our internal growth strategy; competition; our ability to successfully manage our manufacturing operations; supply chain constraints, inflationary pressure, price increases and shortages in raw materials; loss of key personnel and effective succession planning; future restructurings; protection of intellectual property; changes to tax laws and regulations; climate change; adequacy of our insurance coverage; global operations; policies of the Chinese government; the variability and uncertainties in sales of capital equipment in China; currency fluctuations; changes to government regulations and policies around the world; compliance with government regulations and policies and compliance with laws; environmental, health and safety laws and regulations impacting the mining industry; our debt obligations; restrictions in our credit agreement and note purchase agreement; soundness of financial institutions; fluctuations in our share price; and anti-takeover provisions.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits relating to Item 7.01 shall be deemed to be furnished and not filed.

Exhibit

No. Description of Exhibits

99 [Investor presentation to be presented by the Company on February 3, 2026.](#)

104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

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SIGNATURE

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

KADANT INC.

Date: February 2, 2026

By /s/ Michael J. McKenney

Michael J. McKenney
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer



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Acquisition of voestalpine BÖHLER Profil

February 3, 2026

Forward-Looking Statements

The following constitutes a "Safe Harbor" statement under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: This presentation contains forward-looking statements that involve a number of risks and uncertainties, including forward-looking statements about the financial and operating performance of voestalpine BÖHLER Profil, the benefits of the proposed acquisition of voestalpine BÖHLER Profil (the "Acquisition"), the probable timing and financing of the Acquisition, and the expected future business and financial performance of voestalpine BÖHLER Profil and Kadant. These forward-looking statements represent our expectations as of the date of this presentation. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise. These forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties that may cause our actual results to differ materially from these forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors, including those set forth under the heading "Risk Factors" in Kadant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 28, 2024 and subsequent filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These include risks and uncertainties relating to the ability to consummate the Acquisition; the ability to obtain financing to complete the Acquisition; Kadant's ability to successfully integrate voestalpine BÖHLER Profil and its operations and employees and realize anticipated benefits from the Acquisition; unanticipated disruptions to the business, general and regional economic conditions, and the future performance of voestalpine BÖHLER Profil; the risk that the conditions to the closing of the Acquisition are not satisfied; potential adverse reactions or changes to business or employee relationships, including those resulting from the announcement or completion of the Acquisition; uncertainties as to the timing of the Acquisition;

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voestalpine BÖHLER Profil
150 years of experience in manufacturing precision-rolled profiles and industrial blades

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voestalpine BÖHLER Profil

- Manufacturer of high-quality profile and blade solutions for technically challenging industrial applications
- Founded in 1872
- Headquartered in Bruckbach, Austria with approximately 150 employees
- Market-leading position in profiles, patented processes, strong R&D
- Highly complementary fit within our Industrial Processing product portfolio
- Revenue was 51.5 million Euros for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2025

voestalpine BÖHLER Profil Solutions

Precision profiles, industrial knives, specialty blades, and complex formed geometries



- Patented processes
- Near-net shape rolling
- Steel and nickel alloys



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Primary Industries Served



Wood



Aviation & Marine



Industrial

Acquisition Rationale

- A market leader in technically demanding applications
- Highly complementary to Kadant's Industrial Processing product lines
- Valued supplier to Kadant for over three decades
- Solid financial metrics
- Well-managed with robust processes and a strong safety culture
- 100% parts and consumables business
- Strengthens Kadant's long-term growth strategy

Integration

- Will become part of our Industrial Processing reporting segment
- Will continue to operate in their current location as part of our decentralized structure
- Opportunities for technical innovation and process collaboration
- The business will be named Kadant Profil GmbH & Co KG upon closing

Financial Metrics

- Revenue was 51.5 million Euros for 2025
- Approximately 45% of revenue was from Kadant businesses
- Acquisition to be funded through borrowings

Note: 2025 financial information is for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2025.



Questions & Answers

To participate in the live Q&A session, please go to investor.kadant.com and click on the Q&A session link to receive a dial-in number and unique PIN.

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