

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

April 7, 2017  
(Date of earliest event reported)

**GRIFFIN INDUSTRIAL REALTY, INC.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

**06-0868496**

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

Commission File Number

**1-12879**

**641 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**10022**

(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number including Area Code

**(212) 218-7910**

---

(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:

- 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))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On April 7, 2017, Griffin Industrial Realty, Inc. (“Griffin” or the “Registrant”) issued a press release announcing its results of operations for its fiscal 2017 first quarter.

Attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K is Griffin’s April 7, 2017 press release.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1: Griffin’s April 7, 2017 Press Release (attached hereto).

**SIGNATURES**

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.

GRIFFIN INDUSTRIAL REALTY, INC.

By: /s/ Anthony J. Galici  
Anthony J. Galici  
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer  
and Secretary

Dated: April 7, 2017

**NEWS FROM:**

**Exhibit 99.1**

**GRIFFIN INDUSTRIAL REALTY, INC.**

**CONTACT:  
Anthony Galici  
Chief Financial  
Officer  
(860) 286-1307**

## **GRIFFIN ANNOUNCES FISCAL 2017 FIRST QUARTER RESULTS**

**NEW YORK, NEW YORK (April 7, 2017) Griffin Industrial Realty, Inc. (Nasdaq: GRIF) (“Griffin”)** reported rental revenue and total revenue for the three months ended February 28, 2017 (the “2017 first quarter”) of \$6,979,000, as compared to \$6,682,000 for the three months ended February 29, 2016 (the “2016 first quarter”). There was no revenue from property sales in either the 2017 or 2016 first quarters. Griffin reported an operating loss of (\$86,000) in the 2017 first quarter as compared to operating income of \$804,000 in the 2016 first quarter. Griffin reported a net loss of (\$939,000) and a basic and diluted net loss per share of (\$0.19) in the 2017 first quarter, as compared to a net loss of (\$335,000) and a basic and diluted net loss per share of (\$0.07) in the 2016 first quarter. The increased net loss in 2017 first quarter, as compared to the 2016 first quarter, reflects higher general and administrative expenses mostly due to Griffin’s deferred compensation plan, higher depreciation and amortization expense and higher interest expense (see further explanation below).

Profit from leasing activities (which Griffin defines as rental revenue less operating expenses of rental properties)<sup>1</sup> was \$4,494,000 in the 2017 first quarter, essentially unchanged from \$4,516,000 in the 2016 first quarter. Rental revenue increased \$297,000 in the 2017 first quarter over the 2016 first quarter due principally to a net increase in space leased of 363,000 square feet in the 2017 first quarter over the 2016 first quarter. The increase in rental revenue was offset by an increase of \$319,000 in operating expenses of rental properties, due mostly to higher snow removal expenses in the 2017 first quarter as compared to the 2016 first quarter. A significant portion of the increased space under lease in the 2017 first quarter, as compared to the 2016 first quarter, was due to leases entered into in the latter part of fiscal 2016 and the 2017 first quarter. These new leases either had not started as of February 28, 2017, or generated rental revenue only for a portion of the 2017 first quarter. Had these new leases been in effect for the entire 2017 first quarter, rental revenue and profit from leasing activities would have been approximately \$500,000 higher than the amounts reflected above. Griffin expects that rental revenue from all of the new leases entered into in the latter part of fiscal 2016 and the 2017 first quarter will be included in Griffin’s results of operations by the end of the fiscal 2017 third quarter.

---

<sup>1</sup> Profit from leasing activities is not a financial measure in conformity with U.S. GAAP. It is presented because Griffin believes it is a useful financial indicator for measuring results of its real estate leasing activities. However, it should not be considered as an alternative to operating income as a measure of operating results in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

As of February 28, 2017, Griffin owned thirty-three buildings comprising approximately 3,297,000 square feet with approximately 3,170,000 square feet (96%) under lease, whereas, as of February 29, 2016, Griffin owned thirty-two buildings comprising approximately 3,045,000 square feet with approximately 2,807,000 square feet (92%) under lease. As of February 28, 2017, Griffin's industrial/warehouse buildings comprised 87% of Griffin's total square footage and were essentially fully leased, whereas Griffin's office/flex buildings were approximately 74% leased. The increase in total square footage as of February 28, 2017, as compared to February 29, 2016, reflects the completion of construction, in the fiscal 2016 third quarter, of 5210 Jandl Boulevard ("5210 Jandl"), an approximately 252,000 square foot industrial/warehouse building in the Lehigh Valley of Pennsylvania. The net increase of approximately 363,000 square feet in space leased reflects fully leasing 5210 Jandl and a net increase of approximately 111,000 square feet in space under lease in Griffin's other buildings.

The operating loss in the 2017 first quarter, as compared to operating income in the 2016 first quarter, reflects increases in general and administrative expenses and depreciation and amortization expense in the 2017 first quarter as compared to the 2016 first quarter. The higher net loss in the 2017 first quarter, as compared to the 2016 first quarter, also reflects higher interest expense, partially offset by lower taxes in the 2017 first quarter as compared to the 2016 first quarter. The higher general and administrative expenses principally reflect higher expenses related to Griffin's non-qualified deferred compensation plan as a result of higher stock market performance on participant balances in the 2017 first quarter. The higher depreciation and amortization expense principally reflects depreciation related to 5210 Jandl. The increase in interest expense was due principally to an increase in total mortgage loans to \$110,368,000 as of February 28, 2017 from \$94,248,000 as of February 29, 2016.

*Forward-Looking Statements:*

*This Press Release includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. These forward-looking statements include the timing of the receipt and recognition of rental revenues from new leases. Although Griffin believes that its plans, intentions and expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, it can give no assurance that such plans, intentions or expectations will be achieved. The projected information disclosed herein is based on assumptions and estimates that, while considered reasonable by Griffin as of the date hereof, are inherently subject to significant business, economic, competitive and regulatory uncertainties and contingencies, many of which are beyond the control of Griffin and which could cause actual results and events to differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements. Important factors that could affect the outcome of the events set forth in these statements are described in Griffin's Securities and Exchange Commission filings, including the "Business," "Risk Factors" and "Forward-Looking Information" sections in Griffin's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended November 30, 2016. Griffin disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statements as a result of developments occurring after the date of this press release except as required by law.*

**Griffin Industrial Realty, Inc.**  
**Consolidated Statements of Operations**  
(amounts in thousands, except per share data)  
(unaudited)

|   | <b>For the Three Months Ended</b> |                      |
|---|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
|   | <b>Feb. 28, 2017</b>              | <b>Feb. 29, 2016</b> |
| Rental revenue (1)  | \$ 6,979                          | \$ 6,682             |
| Revenue from property sales   | —                                 | —                    |
| Total revenue   | <u>6,979</u>                      | <u>6,682</u>         |
| Operating expenses of rental properties (1)   | 2,485                             | 2,166                |
| Depreciation and amortization expense   | 2,350                             | 2,145                |
| Costs related to property sales   | —                                 | —                    |
| General and administrative expenses (2)   | 2,230                             | 1,567                |
| Total expenses  | <u>7,065</u>                      | <u>5,878</u>         |
| Operating (loss) income   | (86)                              | 804                  |
| Interest expense (3)  | (1,313)                           | (1,091)              |
| Investment income   | 9                                 | 7                    |
| Loss before income tax benefit (provision)  | <u>(1,390)</u>                    | <u>(280)</u>         |
| Income tax benefit (provision)  | 451                               | (55)                 |
| Net loss  | <u>\$ (939)</u>                   | <u>\$ (335)</u>      |
| Basic net loss per common share   | <u>\$ (0.19)</u>                  | <u>\$ (0.07)</u>     |
| Diluted net loss per common share   | <u>\$ (0.19)</u>                  | <u>\$ (0.07)</u>     |
| Weighted average common shares outstanding for computation of basic and diluted per share results | <u>5,040</u>                      | <u>5,153</u>         |

(1) Profit from leasing activities:

|   | <b>For the Three Months Ended</b> |                      |
|---|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
|   | <b>Feb. 28, 2017</b>              | <b>Feb. 29, 2016</b> |
| Rental revenue                          | \$ 6,979                          | \$ 6,682             |
| Operating expenses of rental properties | 2,485                             | 2,166                |
| Profit from leasing activities          | <u>\$ 4,494</u>                   | <u>\$ 4,516</u>      |

(2) Includes expenses (credits) related to Griffin's non-qualified deferred compensation plan. In the three months ended February 28, 2017, expenses related to the non-qualified deferred compensation plan were \$243 as compared to a credit of \$303 in the three months ended February 29, 2016.

(3) Interest expense is primarily for mortgages on Griffin's rental properties.