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): October 28, 2022

Steel Connect, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

| Delaware | 001-35319 | 04-2921333 |
|--|--------------------------|---|
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |

2000 Midway Ln. Smyrna Tennessee

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(914) 461-1276

37167

(Zip Code)

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))

D 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:

| Title of each class | Trading Symbol(s) | Name of each exchange on which registered |
|---|-------------------|---|
| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value | STCN | Nasdaq Capital Market |
| Rights to Purchase Series D Junior Participating Preferred Stock | | Nasdaq Capital Market |

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. \Box

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On August 23, 2022, Steel Connect, Inc. (the "<u>Company</u>") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("<u>SEC</u>") and made available to its stockholders of record a definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A (the "<u>Proxy Statement</u>") for the Company's 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "<u>Annual Meeting</u>"), originally scheduled to be held virtually on September 30, 2022, adjourned to October 14, 2022 and further adjourned to October 28, 2022.

On October 28, 2022, the Company issued a press release announcing that the Annual Meeting is to be further adjourned, without conducting any other business, to November 15, 2022 at 11:00 a.m., Eastern time. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The reconvened Annual Meeting will be accessible only through the Internet at *www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/STCN2021*. The record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting will remain August 19, 2022.

During the period of the adjournment, the Company will continue to solicit proxies from its stockholders with respect to the proposals set forth in the Proxy Statement, as it may be supplemented. Proxies previously submitted in respect of the Annual Meeting will be voted at the reconvened Annual Meeting unless properly revoked.

Additional Information and Where to Find It

This communication may be deemed to be solicitation material in respect of the proposed acquisition of Steel Connect by Steel Partners. In connection with the proposed Merger, Steel Connect will file with the SEC and furnish to Steel Connect's stockholders a proxy statement and other relevant documents. This communication does not constitute a solicitation of any vote or approval. BEFORE MAKING ANY VOTING DECISION, STEEL CONNECT'S STOCKHOLDERS ARE URGED TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT IN ITS ENTIRETY AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS TO BE FILED WITH THE SEC IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED MERGER OR INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE IN THE PROXY STATEMENT BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED MERGER.

Investors will be able to obtain a free copy of the proxy statement and other relevant documents filed by Steel Connect with the SEC at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. In addition, investors may obtain a free copy of the proxy statement and other relevant documents from Steel Connect's website at www.steelconnectinc.com or by directing a request to Steel Connect, Inc., Attn: Chief Financial Officer, 2000 Midway Lane, Smyrna, Tennessee 37167 or by calling (914) 461-1276.

Participants in the Solicitation

Steel Connect and its directors, executive officers and certain other members of management and employees of Steel Connect may be deemed to be "participants" in the solicitation of proxies from the stockholders of Steel Connect in connection with the proposed Merger. Information regarding the interests of the persons who may, under the rules of the SEC, be considered participants in the solicitation of the stockholders of Steel Connect in connection with the proposed Merger, which may be different than those of Steel Connect's stockholders generally, are set forth in the proxy statement and the other relevant documents to be filed with the SEC. Stockholders can find information about Steel Connect and its directors and executive officers and their ownership of Steel Connect common stock in the proxy statement, and additional information about the ownership of Steel Connect common stock by Steel Connect's directors and executive officers is included in their Forms 3, 4 and 5 filed with the SEC.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

| (d) Exhibits | |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|
| Exhibit No. | Description |
| 99.1 | Press Release dated October 28, 2022. |

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.

Steel Connect, Inc.

By: /s/ Jason Wong

Name: Jason Wong Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: October 28, 2022

Steel Connect Announces Adjournment of Annual Meeting

SMYRNA, TN—October 28, 2022—Steel Connect, Inc. (NASDAQ: STCN), a holding company (the "Company" or "Steel Connect"), announced today that it intends to convene and further adjourn, without conducting any other business, the Company's 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting").

The Annual Meeting will reconvene on November 15, 2022 at 11:00 a.m., Eastern time, and will be accessible only through the Internet at *www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/STCN2021*. The record date for stockholders entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting remains August 19, 2022.

During the period of the adjournment, the Company will continue to solicit proxies from its stockholders with respect to the proposals set forth in the Proxy Statement, as it may be supplemented. Proxies previously submitted in respect of the Annual Meeting will be voted at the reconvened Annual Meeting unless properly revoked.

Steel Connect's stockholders are reminded that their vote is important, no matter how many or how few shares of stock they own. The Company's Board of Directors recommends that the Company's stockholders vote "**FOR**" each of the proposals at the reconvened Annual Meeting by completing and returning their proxy card, or by submitting their proxy by telephone or over the Internet. All votes must be received by 11:59 p.m., Eastern time, on November 14, 2022 to be counted.

If you would like copies of the Definitive Proxy Statement filed by the Company in connection with the Annual Meeting, have questions about any of the proposals, or require assistance voting your shares, please contact the proxy solicitor assisting us on this matter:

Mackenzie Partners, Inc. 1407 Broadway, 27th Floor New York, New York 10018 Banks and Brokers Call: (212) 929-5500 All Others Call Toll-Free: (800) 322-2885 Email: <u>proxy@mackenziepartners.com</u>

About Steel Connect, Inc.

Steel Connect, Inc. is a holding company with a wholly owned subsidiary, ModusLink Corporation, that serves the supply chain management markets.

Additional Information and Where to Find It

This communication may be deemed to be solicitation material in respect of the proposed acquisition of Steel Connect by Steel Partners. In connection with the proposed Merger, Steel Connect will file with the SEC and furnish to Steel Connect's stockholders a proxy statement and other relevant documents. This communication does not constitute a solicitation of any vote or approval. BEFORE MAKING ANY VOTING DECISION, STEEL CONNECT'S STOCKHOLDERS ARE URGED TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT IN ITS ENTIRETY AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS TO BE FILED WITH THE SEC IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED MERGER OR INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE IN THE PROXY STATEMENT BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED MERGER.

Investors will be able to obtain a free copy of the proxy statement and other relevant documents filed by Steel Connect with the SEC at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. In addition, investors may obtain a free copy of the proxy statement and other relevant documents from Steel Connect's website at www.steelconnectinc.com or by directing a request to Steel Connect, Inc., Attn: Chief Financial Officer, 2000 Midway Lane, Smyrna, Tennessee 37167 or by calling (914) 461-1276.

Participants in the Solicitation

Steel Connect and its directors, executive officers and certain other members of management and employees of Steel Connect may be deemed to be "participants" in the solicitation of proxies from the stockholders of Steel Connect in connection with the proposed Merger. Information regarding the interests of the persons who may, under the rules of the SEC, be considered participants in the solicitation of the stockholders of Steel Connect in connection with the proposed Merger, which may be different than those of Steel Connect's stockholders generally, are set forth in the proxy statement and the other relevant documents to be filed with the SEC. Stockholders can find information about Steel Connect and its directors and executive officers and their ownership of Steel Connect common stock in the proxy statement, and additional information about the ownership of Steel Connect common stock by Steel Connect's directors and executive officers is included in their Forms 3, 4 and 5 filed with the SEC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

Steel Connect, Inc. Attn: Chief Financial Officer 2000 Midway Lane, Smyrna, Tennessee 37167 *steelconnectinc.com* or (914) 461-1276