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 31, 2008

NORTHERN TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **001-11038** (Commission File Number) **41-0857886** (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

4201 Woodland Road P.O. Box 69 Circle Pines, Minnesota (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

55014 (Zip Code)

(763) 225-6600

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 9.01 **Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

No. 99.1

Description Information Which May Be Disclosed by Northern Technologies International Corporation in Presentations (furnished herewith)

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.

NORTHERN TECHNOLOGIES INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION

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Matthew C. Wolsfeld Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Secretary

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Dated: October 31, 2008

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Non-GAAP Financial Measures

In addition to financial measures prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), NTIC uses certain non-GAAP financial measures. In this presentation, NTIC uses the non-GAAP financial measure, net income, excluding the one-time gain on sale of assets during the first nine months of fiscal 2007. NTIC uses non-GAAP financial measures as supplemental measures of performance and believe these measures provide useful information to investors in evaluating its operations, period over period. However, non-GAAP financial measures have limitations as analytical tools, and should not be considered in isolation, or as a substitute for analysis of NTIC's results as reported under GAAP. In addition, investors should note that any non-GAAP financial measures NTIC uses may not be the same non-GAAP financial measures, and may not be calculated in the same manner, as that of other companies. NTIC has posted a reconciliation of its non-GAAP net income, as adjusted, to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure, net loss, on its website.

Industry Information

Information regarding market and industry statistics contained in this presentation is based on information available to us that we believe is accurate. It is generally based on publications that are not produced for these purposes or economic analysis.

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Introduction to NTIC

- Environmentally-beneficial, materials-sciencebased products and technologies company
 - Rust inhibiting plastic packaging and storage systems for industrial supply chains
 - -Corrosion protection for oil & gas storage and transport
 - -Advanced bio-degradable and bio-based plastics
 - -Plastic waste to fuel conversion systems
- \$89 million total worldwide affiliate sales and \$0.57 earnings per share, basic for the nine months ended May 31, 2008
- Track record of growth and profitability
 - + 21% 4 year CAGR* in total worldwide affiliate sales
 - + 39% 4 year CAGR* in earnings per share, basic
- Global distribution through 29 joint ventures
- Opportunities to accelerate future growth across each business line

*Fiscal year ending 8/31/03 through 8/31/07 – FY 2008 results to be released in November 2008 October 08







Leveraging core materials science expertise and established global distribution across three new business opportunities



Global Distribution

- Our extensive global distribution network enables us to introduce new products and technologies to local and regional markets worldwide
- North American sales made through direct sales people, distributors and VARs
- International sales made through 29 joint ventures
 - NTIC provides product, technology and technical support
 - JV partners provide sales and customer support personnel, access to local markets and knowledge of local regulations and business practices

Direct North American sales personnel and 29 corporate joint ventures provide a local presence in 50 countries around the world







Environmentally Beneficial Materials Science.



Zerust Overview





Vapor Corrosion Inhibiting (VCI) Packaging

Extruded plastics include proprietary chemical additive. VCI packaging emits a vapor which condenses on all metal surfaces creating a monomolecular protective film that prevents corrosion.

ZERUST[®]PROTECTED

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- Dominant player in the automotive industry
 - Used by every major manufacturer to protect parts inventory in shipment and storage
- Global reach
 - Only VCI company to provide corrosion protection management systems for customers in every major industrialized country
- Customer benefits
 - Significant monetary savings from reduced rework and customer rejects
 - Elevates quality of manufacturing process and supply chain

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Economics and Competition

Business Model Summary

| Revenue Model: | Product sales and contract services |
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| Joint Ventures: | Technical and support fees and distributions |
| Distribution: | Direct Sales and Mfg Reps |
| Target Markets: | Automotive, industrial and military parts |
| | Shipment/storage protection |
| Value Proposition: | Consistent no-rust outcomes on product storage and shipments |
| | Monetary savings from reduced rework and product returns |
| | Premium products and services at premium pricing |
| | New business opportunities: bio-plastics, oil and gas corrosion protection and plastic waste to fuel conversion |
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Competitive Environment

| Competitors: | Numerous small, regional VCI product companies |
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| | Non-VCI protection solutions including: - Oil Dipping - Vacuum Packaging |
| Differentiation: | World's largest VCI provider |
| | Only VCI company with corrosion management services |
| | Only VCI company with on-site, global support infrastructure |
| | Significant cost and environmental benefits relative to non-VCI alternatives |
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- Introduce new products and expand sales and distribution
- Leverage reputation as corrosion management experts to introduce process related corrosion management services
 - Process design, implementation and monitoring
 - No rust warranty
- Further penetrate non-automotive verticals with core Zerust products and services
 - Military
 - Electrical/electronics
 - Marine
 - Consumer

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Industrial supply chains

have evolved from blocks

to miles and from days to

months making corrosion management vitally

important

Zerust Oil & Gas Opportunity



Enhanced Corrosion Protection

Patented solutions that extend the ZERUST brand and VCI technology to protect oil, gas and chemical storage tanks, pipelines and other critical infrastructure from corrosion

- Industry characterized by highly corrosive processes with significant environmental risks from corrosion failures
- Operational units being currently tested in Brazil, Malaysia, Thailand and the UAE

Corrosion costs the global oil and gas industry an estimated \$127 billion annually *



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Growth Strategy

- Focus on multiple client opportunities in the Americas, the Middle East and SE Asia
- Build on NTIC's R&D capabilities to boost credibility:
 - Additional R&D being conducted, with clients around the world, to bring new products and solutions to the market
 - Unique laboratory facilities and field application expertise
- Develop new partnerships with companies with oil & gas expertise/solutions to accelerate market penetration





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- Natur-Tec[™] products:
 - Allow customers to reduce their carbon footprint
 - Provide superior performance at competitive prices
 - Meet industry standard for biodegradability ASTM D6400
 - Made from renewable content as per ASTM D6866
- Uniquely broad product portfolio
 - Flexible Film trash bags, agricultural film, etc.
 - Injection Molded disposable cutlery, engineering plastics
 - Foam cushioning material, insulation packaging
 - Extrusion Coating retail, consumer packaging
 - Engineered Composite Materials
- Representative customers
 - Major State University Supply compostable cutlery for campus dining facilities
 - Major Discount Retailer Working with retailer to define sustainable packaging mandates for suppliers

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Economics and Competition

Business Model Summary

- Revenue Model:
 Finished products and resin sales

 Distribution:
 Direct sales to end-users and distributors
- Target Markets: Consumer and industrial packaging Consumer goods Food services











Competitive Environment

Competitors: Novamount

- High brand awareness, well funded
- High cost with performance limitations

Heritage Plastics

- Trash bag manufacturer w/ strong US distribution
- US only/ film products only

Cereplast

- Strong injection molded products
- Limited to PLA blends

FKUR

- PLA and polyester blends
- High cost/ Europe only

Differentiation:

Ease of processing - end products manufactured with traditional equipment Lower cost than competing bio-plastics Competitive performance to traditional plastics

Portfolio of resin compounds tailored to a wide variety of end-use applications





Estimated \$1.9 billion market for bio-plastic resins projected to grow to \$30 billion by 2015

Key drivers of market growth

- Increased environmental awareness at consumer and corporate level
- Increased petroleum prices reducing the cost disparity vs. traditional plastics
- Improved technical properties and product functionality
- Major corporations promoting environmental awareness and mandating sustainability standards from vendors



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Sales and Marketing

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- Translate initial sales into long-term commitments from opinion-leading customers and distribution partners
- Leverage broad product portfolio, including joint development projects, to provide "One-Stop Bioplastics Packaging Solutions" to global customers
- Increase brand awareness through active promotion and advertising
- Technology and Development
 - Experienced team led by Professor Ramani Narayan, a leading bio-plastics expert at Michigan State University.
 - Extend technology leadership to continue delivering superior performance at competitive costs to alternative bio-plastics
- Manufacturing
 - NTIC's resin compounding plant in India is fully operational
 - Maintain cost advantage through low-cost manufacturing and strategic sourcing agreements









Plastic Waste to Fuel

Catalytic pyrolysis process converts plastics (primarily polyolefins) into crude oil resulting in an economically viable and environmentally responsible alternative to current methods of recycling and disposal of plastic waste **NTIC Polymer Energy Machine**

- Polymer Energy LLC, a joint venture with T-Technology in which NTIC has a 62.5% ownership interest and which has exclusive rights to sell the technology outside of Europe
- Commercially proven: 10 units operating in Europe deployed by T-Technology
- Each module can process 2,100 tons of plastic waste annually into approximately 11,500 barrels of oil
- 2 units in assembly in Asia



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Economics and Competition

Business Model Summary

| Revenue Model: | Upfront machine sales and installation Ongoing catalyst sales and technical support |
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| Distribution: | Direct sales through Polymer Energy joint venture |
| Target Markets: | Developing country manufacturers and waste management entities |
| | United States is not a target market due to high labor rates and extensive environmental regulation |

Competitive Environment

| Competitors: | Ozmotech PTY Ltd. – Operating units in Australia – More expensive on a per ton basis Unique Plastic Waste Mgmt/ Asian Electronics LTD. – Pilot plant in Nagpur, India – No commercially viable installation Plas2Fuel – Currently in R&D mode – No commercially viable installation |
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| Differentiation: | Internationally recognized and commercially proven technology with operational experience by NTIC's joint venture partner of more than 2 years |



Market Opportunity

High Crude Oil Prices



High oil prices drive interest in alternative energy sources and waste to energy projects

Increasing Demand for Fuel/Energy



Increased demand for petroleum from fast growing, emerging economies, such as China and India

Plastic Waste



Use of disposable plastic packaging leads to plastic waste generation and subsequent waste management issues

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Growth Strategy

- Positive market response with customer inquiries from around the world
 - First units currently being tested in India and Thailand
- NTIC's JV network may provide market reach and local connections
- NTIC's manufacturing base in Chennai, India provides seamless service to global customers by:
 - Leveraging the manufacturing expertise of NTIC's Indian JV partner
 - Tapping into low cost but highly-skilled engineering resources for ongoing R&D and technical support



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Corporate Overview



Joint Venture Economics



- 29 joint ventures in most cases 50% owned by NTIC
 - -NTIC receives technical and support fee income on JV sales and equity income on JV net income
- GAAP equity method of accounting on financial statements
 - -Equity in income reported on GAAP income statement
 - -Gross JV sales disclosed in financials notes and MD&A
- Direct expenses to support JVs are relatively fixed, representing leverage on incremental JV sales

JV Initial Investment



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Financial Overview

NTIC Financial Results



* FY 2007 EPS is a non-GAAP financial measure and is adjusted downward to subtract the \$724,000 gain on sale of building. See NTIC's corporate website for a reconciliation to NTIC's GAAP EPS. ** FY 2008 results are expected to be released in November 2008

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NTIC Financial Results



Worldwide sales represent the sales of NTIC consolidated with all sales through NTIC's joint ventures, of which NTIC owns an ownership interest of between 25% and 50%.

The functional currency of each international corporate joint venture is the applicable local currency. The translation of the applicable foreign currencies into U.S. dollars is performed using average monthly exchange rates.

•** FY 2008 results will be released in November 2008



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Growth Opportunity

A profitable and growing core business with three new business opportunities



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