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) March 7, 2023

Troika Media Group, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Nevada	001-40329	83-0401552
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
25 West 39th Street, 6th Floor, New York, N	NY _	10018
(Address of principal executive offices)	· ·	(Zip Code)
(Former nan	N/A ne or former address, if changed since las multaneously satisfy the filing obligation	
Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securit	ties 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) u	under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-	4(c))

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

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Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered		
Common Shares \$0.001 par value	TRKA	The 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 □

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 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On March 7, 2023, Troika Media Group, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing financial results for the six months ended December 31, 2022. The full text of this press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained in the Item 2.02 and in the press release furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report, 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 Section 11 or Section 12(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933. The information contained in this Item 2.02 and in the press release furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission made by us whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d)	Exhibits
<u>99.1</u>	Press Release of Troika Media Group, Inc., dated March 7, 2023
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).



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.

Troika Media Group, Inc.

(Registrant)

Date: March 7, 2023 By: /s/ Erica Naidrich

Name: Erica Naidrich

Title: Chief Financial Officer



Troika Media Group Inc. Reports Record Revenue of \$187.9 million, Adjusted EBITDA of \$5.0 million for the Six Months Ended December 31, 2022

New York, New York - March 7, 2023 — Troika Media Group, Inc. (Nasdaq: TRKA) ("TMG"), a consumer engagement and customer acquisition grout today announced financial results for the six months ended December 31, 2022, a transition reporting period ("six month transition period") as a result of the Company's change in fiscal year to December 31 from June 30. TMG is a professional services company that architects and builds enterprise value in consumer brands to generate scalable, performance-driven revenue growth. The Company delivers three solutions pillars: TMGCREATES brands and experiences and CONNECTS consumers through emerging technology products and ecosystems to deliver PERFORMANCE based measurable business outcomes.

The six month transition period highlights include:

- Successive record revenue of approximately \$187.9 million
- Revenue increase of 1125% over the comparative prior year period
- Adjusted EBITDA of approximately \$5.0 million
- Continued strong revenue growth in new revenue streams
- Growing demand for Performance Solutions within Home Improvement, Residential Services, Legal and Professional Services Sectors
- Successful completion of restructuring of operations and cost optimizations following the acquisition of Converge

"The operational changes and record business performance during this six month transition period were delivered ahead of schedule in what was an aggressive timetable to alter the strategic course of the Company. In the last nine months, we repositioned the business, delivered successive record-breaking revenue, diversified our revenue sectors, and implemented changes to optimize operational efficiency. The Company is now focused on taking advantage of sustainably higher margin opportunities to meaningfully improve its strategic and financial results in scalable market sectors. The Management Team has delivered great results during an intensive period of change, demonstrating the resiliency of our services and business model. We continue to be excited at the growth opportunities in home improvement, residential services, legal and professional services and building on our internal consumer brand portfolio. We can now focus on optimizing our balance sheet and review strategic alternatives as we work with Jefferies, LLC to architect the best capital structure to grow the business and maximize shareholder value." commented Sid Toama, Chief Executive Officer of TMG.

Results for the six months ended December 31, 2022 (six month transition period) compared to six months ended December 31, 2021:



Six months ended

	 December 31,				Change		
	2022		2021		\$	%	
	 (in thousands)						
Revenues	\$ 187,910	\$	15,343	\$	172,567	1125 %	
Net Loss	\$ (9,580)	\$	(6,249)	\$	(3,331)	53 %	
EBITDA	\$ 1,038	\$	(5,744)	\$	6,782	118 %	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 4,950	\$	(4,587)	\$	9,537	208 %	

Financial Results for TMG

The results of operations for the six months ended December 31, 2022, have been fundamentally powered by the Converge acquisition, which resulted in diversifying the Company's revenue streams and created efficiencies recognized by integrating the acquired businesses.

Revenues for the six months ended December 31, 2022, increased \$172.6 million, or 1125%, to \$187.9 million as compared with the prior year period. The increase in revenue was directly attributable to the Converge business, which accounted for approximately \$180.3 million, or 96%, of the Company's total revenue for the six months ended December 31, 2022. The incremental revenue to the business was comprised of performance solutions revenue of \$75.7 million, or 40%, and managed services revenue of \$104.6 million or 56%.

"The acquisition of Converge continues to provide transformational changes for the Company. The revenue contributed by these new revenue streams totaled approximately \$270.6 million since its acquisition in March 2022, a period of 285 days. Further, we are pleased by the continued growth in revenue that is derived from our owned and operated internal brands, which justifies our continued investment in this enterprise strategy," said Erica Naidrich, CFO of TMG.

Selling, general, and administrative costs increased during the transition period by \$8.6 million, or 61%, to \$22.7 million when compared to the prior year period. This increase was primarily attributable to an increase in employee related costs of approximately \$5.3 million, an increase of approximately \$1.5 million in office and occupancy costs, an increase in professional fees of approximately \$1.4 million, an increase of approximately \$0.2 million in travel and entertainment costs, and an increase of approximately \$0.2 million in other costs.

Employee related costs increased due to the addition of the 80+ headcount acquired with Converge, which added \$5.8 million. This increase was offset by the reduction in salaries and other employee related costs as a result of the discontinuation of certain subsidiary operations as part of the Company's restructuring efforts. The combined employee related costs from the legacy Troika entities totaled \$10.4 million during the six months ended December 31, 2022, which reflects a 5% decrease compared to the prior year period. The decrease is due to reduction in headcount from company lay-offs due to restructuring activities.

The increased professional fees were largely driven by the accounting and audit fees incurred during the six month transition period. Due to the change in year-end date, the Company incurred higher audit fees than in a normal six month period. Additional professional fees, mainly legal fees, were incurred from newly engaged firms to help the Company with various debt and equity financing matters.



TMG's Adjusted EBITDA for the six months endedDecember 31, 2022, increased \$9.5 million to approximately \$5.0 million as compared to the prior year period. This increase was driven by the increase in revenues and gross margin attributable to the managed services and performance solutions revenue streams associated with the Converge acquisition. These increases were offset by several one-time costs incurred as a result of the ongoing restructuring and transformational efforts by management as well as non-cash charges.

The Company has made expeditious restructuring decisions in order to focus on business initiatives that will drive growth to ensure that the Company is well positioned to achieve value for our shareholders.

These offsetting amounts contained several non-recurring and non-cash costs including restructuring and other related charges totaling \$6.9 million, gain on fair value of warrant derivative liabilities related to the Series E Preferred Stock of \$20.0 million, foreign currency exchange losses of \$0.9 million, \$2.7 million in non-cash stock compensation expense (which are reflected in selling, general and administrative expenses), and loss contingencies on equity issuance of \$3.4 million.

The Company has historically recognized the fluctuation in the fair value of the derivatives liabilities at each reporting period in the Statement of Operations. The conversion of the derivative liabilities to "Equity" classification will result in no future impact on the Statements of Operations from the fluctuation in the fair value of the derivatives liabilities.

About Troika Media Group

TMG is a consumer engagement and customer acquisition consulting and solutions group based in New York and Los Angeles. We deliver resilient brand equity, amplifying brands through emerging technology to deliver performance driven business growth. TMG's expertise is in large consumer sectors including Insurance Financial Services, Home Improvement, Residential Services, Legal, Professional Services, Media and Entertainment or more information, visit www.thetmgrp.com.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are not financial measures under generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). These metrics are performant measurement tools used by our management team and you should not consider them in isolation or as a substitute for other financial statement data determined in accordance with GAAP. In addition, because EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are not measures of financial performance under GAAP at are susceptible to varying calculations, the measures presented may differ from and may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies.

We define EBITDA as net income (loss) before (i) depreciation, amortization and impairments of property and equipment, goodwill and other intangible assets, (ii) interest expense, and (iii) tax expense.

We define Adjusted EBITDA as EBITDA before (i) share-based compensation expense or benefit, (ii) restructuring charges or credits, (iii) restructuring charges or credits, (iv) gains or losses on sales or dispositions of businesses and associated settlements, and (v) certain other non-recurring or non-cash items. We believe that the exclusion of share-based compensation expense or benefit allows investors to better track the performance of our business without regard to the settlement of an obligation that is not



expected to be made in cash. We eliminate merger and acquisition-related costs because the Company does not consider such costs to be indicative of the ongoing operating performance of the Company as they result from an event that is of a non-recurring nature, thereby enhancing comparability.

We believe Adjusted EBITDA is an appropriate measure for evaluating the operating performance of our business and the Company on a consolidated basis. Adjusted EBITDA and similar measures with similar titles are common performance measures used by investors and analysts to analyze our performance. Internally, we use revenues and gross margin as the most important indicators of our business performance, and evaluate management's effectiveness with specific reference to these indicators. Adjusted EBITDA should be used as a supplement to and not a substitute for operating income (loss), net income (loss), cash flows from operating activities, and other measures of performance and/or liquidity presented in accordance with GAAP. For a reconciliation of net (loss) income to Adjusted EBITDA, please see page 6 of this release.

Forward-Looking Statements

This press release may contain statements that constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements include, without limitation, statements about future growth and growth rates and other information regarding future performance and strategies and appear throughout this press release. These forward-looking statements include, without limitation, statements about future growth and growth rates and other information regarding future performance and strategies and appear throughout this press release. Investors are cautioned that any such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance or results and involve risks and uncertainties, and that actual results, developments or events may differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements as a result of various factors, including financial community perceptions of the Company and its business, operations, financial condition and the industries in which it operates, the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and the factors described in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission including the sections titled "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K in the Company's Annual Report on these forward-looking statements, which reflect management's opinions only as of the date hereof.

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Troika Media Group, Inc. Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended			
	D	ecember 31, 2022	De	cember 31, 2021
Revenue	\$	187,910,491	\$	15,343,000
Cost of revenue		162,250,051		8,420,000
Gross margin		25,660,440		6,923,000
Operating expenses:				
Selling, general and administrative expenses		22,658,206		14,097,000
Depreciation and amortization		4,423,831		401,000
Restructuring and other related charges		6,868,066		_
Impairment and other losses (gains), net		11,066,341		_
Total operating expenses		45,016,444		14,498,000
Operating loss	\$	(19,356,004)	\$	(7,575,000)
Other income (expense):				
Loss contingency on equity issuance		(3,385,000)		_
Interest expense		(6,174,849)		(47,000)
Foreign exchange loss		(944,417)		(26,000)
Gain on change in fair value of derivative liabilities		20,004,367		12,000
Net gain on sale of subsidiary		82,894		_
Other income, net		212,386		1,444,000
Total other income (expense)	\$	9,795,381	\$	1,383,000
Loss from operations before income taxes		(9,560,623)		(6,192,000)
Income tax expense		(19,122)		(57,000)
Net loss	\$	(9,579,745)	\$	(6,249,000)
Foreign currency translation adjustment		955,438		32,000
Comprehensive loss	\$	(8,624,307)	\$	(6,217,000)

Troika Media Group, Inc. Adjusted EBITDA Non-GAAP Measure (Unaudited)

	Six Months Ended				
	December 31, 2022			December 31, 2021	
Net Loss	\$	(9,579,745)	\$	(6,249,000)	
Interest expense		6,174,849		47,000	
Income tax expense		19,122		57,000	
Depreciation and amortization		4,423,831		401,000	
EBITDA	\$	1,038,057	\$	(5,744,000)	
Impairment and other losses (gains), net		11,066,341		(1,448,000)	
Business Acquisition Costs included in SG&A		_		517,000	
Restructuring and other related charges		6,868,066		_	
Share based compensation		2,680,081		2,100,000	
Loss contingency on equity issuance		3,385,000		_	
Net gain on sale of subsidiary		(82,894)		_	
(Gain) loss on derivative liabilities		(20,004,367)		(12,000)	
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	4,950,284	\$	(4,587,000)	

The following is a description of the adjustments to net loss in arriving at adjusted EBITDA as described in this earnings release:

- Interest Expense.
- Income Tax Expense.
- Depreciation and amortization. This adjustment eliminates depreciation and amortization of property and equipment and intangible assets in all periods.
- Impairment and other (gains) losses, net. This adjustment eliminates non-cash impairment charges and the impact of gains or losses from the disposition of assets or businesses in all periods.
- Business acquisition costs. This adjustment eliminates costs related to acquisitions in all periods.
- Restructuring charges. This adjustment eliminates costs related to termination benefits provided to employees as part of the Company's full-time workforce reductions
- Share based compensation. This adjustment eliminates the compensation expense relating to restricted stock units and stock options granted under the Troika Media Group Stock Plan.
- Loss Contingency on Equity Issuance related to Series E PIPE
- Net gain on sale of subsidiary
- (Gain) loss on derivative liabilities related to the Series E PIPE