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): March 9, 2017

PEREGRINE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State of other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-32839 (Commission File Number)

95-3698422 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

14282 Franklin Avenue, Tustin, California 92780 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (714) 508-6000

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:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425).
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14A-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On March 9, 2017, Peregrine Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the declaration by the Company's Board of Directors of a quarterly cash dividend payment of \$0.65625 per share (the "Dividend") on the Company's 10.50% Series E Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Series E Preferred Stock"), accruing from January 1, 2017 through March 31, 2017. The Dividend equates to an annualized 10.50% per share of Series E Preferred Stock based on the \$25.00 per share stated liquidation preference. The Dividend on the Series E Preferred Stock is payable on April 3, 2017 to holders of record at the close of business on March 20, 2017. A copy of the press release is filed hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following material is filed as an exhibit to this Current Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit <u>Number</u>

99.1 Press Release issued March 9, 2017.

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.

PEREGRINE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Date: March 9, 2017 By: /s/ Paul J. Lytle

Paul J. Lytle

Chief Financial Officer

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PEREGRINE PHARMACEUTICALS DECLARES QUARTERLY DIVIDEND ON ITS SERIES E CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK

TUSTIN, Calif., March 9, 2017 -- Peregrine Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Nasdaq:PPHM) (Nasdaq:PPHMP) today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend payment on the Company's 10.50% Series E Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Series E Preferred Stock").

The quarterly dividend on the Series E Preferred Stock is payable on April 3, 2017 to holders of record at the close of business on March 20, 2017.

The quarterly dividend payment on the Series E Preferred Stock will be \$0.65625 per share, which is equivalent to an annualized 10.50% per share, based on the \$25.00 per share stated liquidation preference, accruing from January 1, 2017 through March 31, 2017. The Series E Preferred Stock is listed on the NASDAQ Capital Market and trades under the ticker symbol "PPHMP".

About Peregrine Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Peregrine Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is a biopharmaceutical company committed to improving the lives of patients by delivering high quality pharmaceutical products through its contract development and manufacturing organization (CDMO) services and through advancing and licensing its investigational immunotherapy and related products. Peregrine's in-house CDMO services, including cGMP manufacturing and development capabilities, are provided through its wholly-owned subsidiary Avid Bioservices, Inc. (www.avidbio.com), which provides development and biomanufacturing services for both Peregrine and third-party customers. The company is also working to evaluate its lead immunotherapy candidate, bavituximab, in combination with immune stimulating therapies for the treatment of various cancers, and developing its proprietary exosome technology for the detection and monitoring of cancer. For more information, please visit www.peregrineinc.com.