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): November 13, 2017

PEREGRINE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware(State of other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-32839

(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 (see General Instruction A.2 below):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425).
- ý 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))

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. o

Item 5.08 Shareholder Director Nominations.

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Peregrine Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Company) has established January 18, 2018 as the date of the Company's 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "2017 Annual Meeting") and established the close of business on November 27, 2017 as the record date for determining the stockholders entitled to receive notice of and to vote at the 2017 Annual Meeting.

Since the date of the 2017 Annual Meeting is more than 30 calendar days from the anniversary date of the Company's 2016 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, the Company is informing its stockholders of this change and the updated deadline for submitting any qualified stockholder proposal in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws.

If a stockholder intends to nominate a candidate for election to the Board or to propose other business for consideration at the 2017 Annual Meeting to be included in the Company's proxy statement relating to the 2017 Annual Meeting, such notice must be received by the Company at its principal executive offices no later than the close of business on November 24, 2017, which the Company has determined to be a reasonable time before it expects to begin to distribute its proxy materials prior to the 2017 Annual Meeting. Any such proposal must also meet the requirements set forth in the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws in order to be eligible for inclusion in the Company's proxy materials for the 2017 Annual Meeting.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On November 13, 2017, the Company issued a press release announcing that its 2017 Annual Meeting will be held on January 18, 2018, at 14191 Myford Road, Tustin, California 92780, located within the Company's manufacturing campus. Holders of the Company's common stock at the close of business on November 27, 2017, the record date, will be entitled to receive notice of and vote their shares at the 2017 Annual Meeting. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

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 November 13, 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: November 13, 2017

By: \(\frac{\s\{\text{Paul J. Lytle}}}{\text{Paul J. Lytle}} \)

Chief Financial Officer

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Description

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Press Release issued November 13, 2017.



PEREGRINE ANNOUNCES DATE OF 2017 ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

TUSTIN, CA – November 13, 2017 – Peregrine Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (NASDAQ: PPHM) (NASDAQ: PPHMP) today announced that its 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders will be held on January 18, 2018, at 14191 Myford Road, Tustin, California 92780, located within the company's manufacturing campus. Holders of the company's common stock at the close of business on November 27, 2017, the record date, will be entitled to receive notice of and vote their shares at the 2017 Annual Meeting.

About Peregrine Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Peregrine Pharmaceuticals, Inc. is a company transitioning from an R&D focused business to a pure play contract development and manufacturing organization (CDMO). Peregrine's in-house CDMO services, including cGMP manufacturing and development capabilities, are provided through its whollyowned subsidiary Avid Bioservices, Inc. (www.avidbio.com).

The company is pursuing to license or sell its proprietary R&D assets, including its lead immunotherapy candidate, bavituximab, which is currently being evaluated in clinical trials in combination with immune stimulating therapies for the treatment of various cancers. For more information, please visit www.peregrineinc.com.

About Avid Bioservices, Inc.

Avid Bioservices, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Peregrine Pharmaceuticals, provides a comprehensive range of process development, high quality cGMP clinical and commercial manufacturing services for the biotechnology and biopharmaceutical industries. With over 20 years of experience producing monoclonal antibodies and recombinant proteins in batch, fed-batch and perfusion modes, Avid's services include cGMP clinical and commercial product manufacturing, purification, bulk packaging, stability testing and regulatory strategy, submission and support. The company also provides a variety of process development activities, including cell line development and optimization, cell culture and feed optimization, analytical methods development and product characterization. For more information about Avid, please visit www.avidbio.com.

Important Additional Information

Peregrine intends to file a proxy statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in connection with the solicitation of proxies for Peregrine's 2017 Annual Meeting (Proxy Statement) with an associated WHITE proxy card. Peregrine, its directors and certain of its executive officers will be participants in the solicitation of proxies from stockholders in respect of the 2017 Annual Meeting. Information regarding the names of Peregrine's directors and executive officers and their respective interests in Peregrine by security holdings or otherwise is set forth in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Peregrine, for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2017, filed with the SEC on July 14, 2017, as amended by Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-K/A filed with the SEC on August 28, 2017, and Peregrine's proxy statement for the 2016 Annual Meeting, filed with the SEC on August 26, 2016. To the extent holdings of such participants in Peregrine's securities are not reported, or have changed since the amounts described, in the Form 10-K/A, such changes have been reflected on Initial Statements of Beneficial Ownership on Form 3 or Statements of Change in Ownership on Form 4 filed with the SEC. Details concerning the nominees of Peregrine's Board of Directors for election at the 2017 Annual Meeting will be included in the Proxy Statement. BEFORE MAKING ANY VOTING DECISION, INVESTORS AND STOCKHOLDERS OF THE COMPANY ARE URGED TO READ ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS FILED WITH OR FURNISHED TO THE SEC, INCLUDING THE COMPANY'S DEFINITIVE PROXY STATEMENT AND ANY SUPPLEMENTS THERETO, BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION. Investors and stockholders will be able to obtain a copy of the definitive proxy statement and other documents filed by Peregrine free of charge from the SEC's website, www.sec.gov. Peregrine's stockholders will also be able to obtain, without charge, a copy of the definitive Proxy Statement and other relevant filed documents by directing a request by mail to Peregrine, Corporate Secretary's Office, 14282 Franklin Avenue, Tustin, CA 92780, by calling Peregrine's proxy solicitor, MacKenzie Partners, Inc., toll-free at (800) 322-2885, or from Peregrine's website at www.Peregrine.com.

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