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): December 5, 2018

AVID BIOSERVICES, 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.)

2642 Michelle Drive, Suite 200, Tustin, California 92780 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (714) 508-6100

(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))

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).

o 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 8.01 Other Events.

On December 5, 2018, Avid Bioservices, 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 October 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018. 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 January 2, 2019 to holders of record at the close of business on December 17, 2018. 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 December 5, 2018.

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.

AVID BIOSERVICES, INC.

Date: December 5, 2018

By: <u>/s/ Daniel R. Hart</u> Daniel R. Hart Chief Financial Officer

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Description

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AVID BIOSERVICES DECLARES QUARTERLY DIVIDEND ON ITS SERIES E CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK

TUSTIN, CA, December 5, 2018 -- Avid Bioservices, Inc. (NASDAQ:CDMO) (NASDAQ:CDMOP), a dedicated contract development and manufacturing organization (CDMO) working to improve patient lives by providing high quality development and manufacturing services to biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies, 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 January 2, 2019 to holders of record at the close of business on December 17, 2018.

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 October 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018. The Series E Preferred Stock is listed on the NASDAQ Capital Market and trades under the ticker symbol "CDMOP".

About Avid Bioservices, Inc.

Avid Bioservices is a dedicated contract development and manufacturing organization (CDMO) focused on development and cGMP manufacturing of biopharmaceutical products derived from mammalian cell culture. The company provides a comprehensive range of process development, high quality cGMP clinical and commercial manufacturing services for the biotechnology and biopharmaceutical industries. With 25 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. www.avidbio.com