

ODYSSEY MARINE EXPLORATION INC
Form 8-K
August 19, 2008

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): August 19, 2008

ODYSSEY MARINE EXPLORATION, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-31895
(Commission File Number)

5215 West Laurel Street

84-1018684
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

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Tampa, Florida 33607

(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (813) 876-1776

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):

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01. *Entry Into a Material Definitive Agreement.*

The disclosure set forth below under Item 3.02 (Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities) is hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 1.01.

Item 3.02. *Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities.*

On August 19, 2008, Odyssey Marine Exploration, Inc., a Nevada corporation (the *Company*), issued and sold 1,970,000 shares of its common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the *Shares*), at a price of \$4.90 per share, for an aggregate purchase price of \$9,653,000 in cash, pursuant to a Common Stock Purchase Agreement (the *Purchase Agreement*) between the Company and the investors.

In connection with this transaction, the Company relied on the exemption provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the *Securities Act*), and Rule 506 of Regulation D promulgated under the Securities Act. All of the investors are *accredited investors* as such term is defined in Rule 501 of Regulation D. The investor was given access to complete information concerning the Company. The investors have represented that they have acquired the shares for investment purposes. Restrictive legends were placed on the certificates issued to the investor.

Item 9.01. *Financial Statements and Exhibits.*

(a) *Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired.*

Not applicable.

(b) *Pro Forma Financial Information.*

Not applicable.

(c) *Shell Company Transactions.*

Not applicable.

(d) *Exhibits.*

10.1 Stock Purchase Agreement dated August 18, 2008, between the Company and the investor.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ODYSSEY MARINE EXPLORATION, INC.

Dated: August 19, 2008

By: /s/ Michael J. Holmes
Michael J. Holmes,
Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit Index

| Exhibit No. | Description |
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