

BIODELIVERY SCIENCES INTERNATIONAL INC

Form 8-K

April 29, 2013

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 29, 2013 (April 23, 2013)

BioDelivery Sciences International, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-31361
(Commission
File Number)

35-2089858
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

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801 Corporate Center Drive, Suite #210

Raleigh, NC
(Address of principal executive offices)

27607
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 919-582-9050

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On April 24, 2013, upon the recommendation of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board of Directors, the Board of Directors (the Board) of BioDelivery Sciences International, Inc. (the Company) appointed Mr. Thomas W. D. Alonzo to the Board as a Class II Director to fill a vacancy as a result of the increase in the size of the Board from 6 to 7 persons. Mr. D. Alonzo was also appointed as a member of the Audit Committee, the Compensation Committee and the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board.

There is no arrangement or understanding between Mr. D. Alonzo and any other persons pursuant to which Mr. D. Alonzo was selected as a director, and there are no related party transactions involving Mr. D. Alonzo that are reportable under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

There are no material plans, contracts or arrangements to which Mr. D. Alonzo is a party or in which he participates nor has there been any material amendment to any plan, contract or arrangement by virtue of Mr. D. Alonzo's appointment.

The following is certain biographical information regarding Mr. D. Alonzo:

Thomas W. D. Alonzo has served as a member of our board since April 23, 2013. Prior to joining our company, Mr. D. Alonzo served as a member of the board of directors of Salix Pharmaceuticals, Ltd. since May 2000 and has been the Chairman of the Board since June 2010. From 2005 to 2012, Mr. D. Alonzo served on the board of directors of Amarillo Biosciences, Inc., a public company, and Plexigen, Inc., a private company. From March 2007 to February 2009, Mr. D. Alonzo served as the Chief Executive Officer and a director of MiMedx Group, Inc. From May 2006 to April 2007, Mr. D. Alonzo was Chief Executive Officer of DARA BioSciences, Inc., now known as DARA Pharmaceuticals, Inc., and he served on its board of directors from September 2005 to December 2008. From 2006 to 2008, he also served on our board of directors. From 2000 to 2007, Mr. D. Alonzo acted as an independent consultant. Prior to that, from 1996 to 1999, Mr. D. Alonzo served as President and Chief Operating Officer of Pharmaceutical Product Development (PPD), a global provider of discovery and development services to pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies. Before joining PPD, from 1993 to 1996, he served as President and Chief Executive Officer of GenVec, Inc., a clinical-stage, biopharmaceutical company. From 1983 to 1993, Mr. D. Alonzo held positions of increasing responsibility within Glaxo, Inc., the U.S. division of GSK, including President. Mr. D. Alonzo received his B.S. in Business Administration from the University of Delaware, and his J.D. from the University of Denver College of Law.

Among other experience, qualifications, attributes and skills, Mr. D. Alonzo's knowledge and experience in legal matters, in leading large organizations and serving on boards of directors in the life sciences industry led to the conclusion of our Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and of our full board that he is qualified to serve as a director of the Company.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release, dated April 29, 2013, concerning the appointment of Thomas W. D. Alonzo to the Board of Directors of the Company.

Cautionary Note on Forward-Looking Statements

This Current Report and any related statements of representatives and partners of the Company contain, or may contain, among other things, certain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking statements involve significant risks and uncertainties. Such statements may include, without limitation, statements with respect to the Company's plans, objectives, projections, expectations and intentions and other statements identified by words such as projects, may, will, could, would, should, believes, expects, anticipates, estimates, intends, plans, or similar expressions. These statements are based upon the current beliefs and expectations of the Company's management and are subject to significant risks and uncertainties, including those detailed in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Actual results may differ significantly from those set forth in the forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements involve certain risks and uncertainties that are subject to change based on various factors (many of which are beyond the Company's control). The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by applicable law.

SIGNATURES

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

April 29, 2013

BIODELIVERY SCIENCES INTERNATIONAL, INC.

By: /s/ James A. McNulty

Name: James A. McNulty

Title: Secretary, Treasurer and CFO