

IDERA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.
Form 8-K
October 07, 2016

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): **October 7, 2016**

Idera Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-31918
(Commission
File Number)

04-3072298
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

167 Sidney Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(617) 679-5500**

(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))
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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On October 7, 2016, Idera Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the Company) entered into an underwriting agreement (the Underwriting Agreement) with J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Goldman, Sachs & Co., as representatives of the several underwriters (collectively, the Underwriters), related to an underwritten public offering of 25,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the Common Stock). The public offering price for the Common Stock is \$2.00 per share. The Underwriters have agreed to purchase the shares pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement at a price of \$1.88 per share. The Company has also granted to the Underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to an additional 3,750,000 shares of Common Stock at the same price per share. All of the shares in the offering are to be sold by the Company.

The Common Stock will be issued pursuant to a prospectus supplement dated October 7, 2016 and an accompanying base prospectus dated May 22, 2014 that form a part of the registration statement on Form S-3 that the Company filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, which became effective May 22, 2014 (File No. 333-195896). The Company expects that the closing of the sale of the Common Stock will take place on October 13, 2016, subject to the satisfaction of customary closing conditions.

A copy of the Underwriting Agreement is attached as Exhibit 1.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference. The foregoing description of the Underwriting Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to Exhibit 1.1.

A copy of the legal opinion and consent of Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP relating to the validity of the Common Stock to be issued in the offering is attached as Exhibit 5.1 hereto.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

The Company issued a press release on October 7, 2016 announcing the pricing of the sale of the Common Stock. The full text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

See attached Exhibit Index.

SIGNATURE

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.

Idera Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Date: October 7, 2016

By: /s/ Louis J. Arcudi, III
Louis J. Arcudi, III
Senior Vice President of Operations, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

EXHIBIT INDEX

| Exhibit No. | Description |
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| 1.1 | Underwriting Agreement, dated as of October 7, 2016, between the Company and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Goldman, Sachs & Co. |
| 5.1 | Opinion of Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP |
| 23.1 | Consent of Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1) |
| 99.1 | Press Release dated October 7, 2016 |