

CELL THERAPEUTICS INC
Form 8-K
April 18, 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): April 16, 2008

CELL THERAPEUTICS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

001-12465
(Commission File Number)

91-1533912
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

501 Elliott Avenue West, Suite 400

Seattle, Washington 98119

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (206) 282-7100

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))

Section 3 Securities and Trading Markets

Item 3.01. Notice of Delisting or Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule or Standard; Transfer of Listing.

On April 16, 2008, Cell Therapeutics, Inc. (the Company) received a letter from The Nasdaq Stock Market indicating that for the last 30 consecutive business days, the bid price of its common stock has closed below the minimum \$1.00 per share requirement for continued inclusion under Marketplace Rule 4450(a)(5).

In accordance with Marketplace Rule 4450(e)(2), the Company has been provided 180 calendar days, or until October 13, 2008, to regain compliance. The Company will achieve compliance if, before October 13, 2008, the bid price of the Company's common stock closes at \$1.00 per share or more for a minimum of 10 consecutive business days. If the Company does not regain compliance by October 13, 2008, it may have the option to transfer its securities to The Nasdaq Capital Market if it can demonstrate as of that date that the Company meets the criteria for initial listing set forth in Marketplace Rule 4310(c) (other than the bid price requirement). If its application is approved, the Company will have an additional 180 days to regain compliance while on The Nasdaq Capital Market.

The Company intends to actively monitor the bid price for its common stock between now and October 13, 2008, and will consider available options to resolve the deficiency and regain compliance with the Nasdaq minimum closing bid price requirement.

On April 18, 2008 the Corporation issued a press release announcing the receipt of the Nasdaq letter (the Press Release). The Press Release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibits are attached with this report on Form 8-K:

99.1 Press Release dated April 18, 2008

SIGNATURE

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.

CELL THERAPEUTICS, INC.

Date: April 18, 2008

By: /s/ Louis A. Bianco
Louis A. Bianco
Executive Vice President, Finance and Administration

EXHIBIT INDEX

**Exhibit
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99.1 Press Release dated April 18, 2008.