CTI BIOPHARMA CORP Form 8-K October 21, 2015

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): October 20, 2015

CTI BioPharma Corp.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington (State or other jurisdiction

001-12465 (Commission

91-1533912 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation or organization)

File Number) 3101 Western Avenue, Suite 600 **Identification Number**)

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Seattle, Washington 98121

(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).

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):

- "Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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 October 20, 2015, John H. Bauer notified the Board of Directors (the Board) of CTI BioPharma Corp. (the Company) of his decision to resign from the Board, with such resignation to be effective immediately. The decision of Mr. Bauer to resign was not the result of any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to the Company s operations, policies or practices.

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.

CTI BIOPHARMA CORP.

Date: October 20, 2015 By: /s/ Louis A. Bianco

Louis A. Bianco
Executive Vice President, Finance and

Administration