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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 7, 2017**

PTC THERAPEUTICS, INC.

(Exact Name of Company as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-35969

(Commission
File Number)

04-3416587

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

100 Corporate Court

South Plainfield, NJ

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

07080

(Zip Code)

Company's telephone number, including area code: **(908) 222-7000**

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

On April 7, 2017, Shane Kovacs, Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Head of Corporate Development of PTC Therapeutics, Inc. (the "Company"), notified the Company of his resignation, which is expected to be effective mid-May 2017.

A copy of the press release issued by the Company on April 10, 2017, related to this matter is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 8.01. Other Events

On April 7, 2017, the Company received notice from the U.S. Federal Trade Commission that it had granted early termination, effective immediately, of the applicable waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 ("HSR Act") for the Company's pending acquisition of all rights to Emflaza™ (deflazacort) from Marathon Pharmaceuticals, LLC (the "Transaction").

The early termination of the waiting period under the HSR Act satisfies one of the conditions to the closing of the Transaction, which remains subject to other customary closing conditions. The Company expects to close the Transaction in the next several weeks.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

99.1 Press Release dated April 10, 2017

Cautionary Statement Concerning Forward Looking Statements

This Current Report on Form 8-K (this "Report") contains forward-looking statements addressing the Transaction and any other statements about future expectations that are dependent upon future events or developments. All statements, other than those of historical fact, contained in this Report are forward-looking statements, including statements related to the Company's expectations with respect to the closing of the Transaction and the effective date of Mr. Kovacs' departure. Other forward-looking statements may be identified by the words "look forward", "plan," "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "target," "potential," "will," "would," "could," "should," "continue," and similar expressions. The Company's actual results, performance or achievements could differ materially from those expressed or implied by forward-looking statements it makes as a result of a variety of risks and uncertainties, including those related to satisfaction of the conditions to closing the Transaction in the anticipated timeframe or at all (including the failure to obtain necessary regulatory approvals); the Company's ability to realize the anticipated benefits of the Transaction, including the possibility that the expected benefits from the Transaction will not be realized or will not be realized within the expected time period; negative effects of announcements related to the Transaction on the market price of the Company's common stock; significant transaction costs, unknown liabilities, and the risk of litigation and/or regulatory actions related to the Transaction as well as other business effects, including the effects of industry, market, economic, political or regulatory conditions; changes in tax and other laws, regulations, rates and policies; the eligible patient base and commercial potential of Translarna™ (ataluren) and Emflaza; the sufficiency of the Company's cash resources and its ability to obtain adequate financing in the future for its foreseeable and unforeseeable operating expenses and capital expenditures; and the factors discussed in the "Risk Factors" section of the Company's most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K as well as any updates to these risk factors filed from time to time in PTC's other filings with the SEC. The forward-looking statements contained herein represent the Company's views only as of the date of this Report and the Company does not undertake or plan to update or revise any such forward-looking statements to reflect actual results or changes in plans, prospects, assumptions, estimates or projections, or other circumstances occurring after the date of this Report except as required by law.



PTC Therapeutics Announces Departure of Chief Financial Officer, Shane Kovacs

SOUTH PLAINFIELD, N.J., April 10, 2016 – PTC Therapeutics, Inc. (NASDAQ: PTCT) today announced that Shane Kovacs, Chief Financial Officer, will be leaving the company in mid-May 2017 to return to the finance sector, joining RBC Capital Markets as Managing Director where he will help lead the firm’s biotech investment banking efforts.

PTC has initiated a search process to appoint a new CFO. Shane is expected to remain with PTC through the closing of PTC’s pending acquisition of all rights to Emflaza™ (deflazacort) from Marathon Pharmaceuticals, LLC and the reporting of PTC’s first quarter financials to ensure a smooth transition.

“We are grateful for Shane’s contributions since he joined as our CFO in 2013,” said Stuart W. Peltz, Ph.D., Chief Executive Officer, PTC Therapeutics, Inc. “We thank Shane for his service and dedication, as he leaves PTC well-positioned for continued commercial growth. Our experienced leadership team remains firmly on track to meet our goals and to deliver innovative therapies for DMD and other rare diseases. I am confident in our ability to oversee an efficient and effective transition while we look to appoint a new CFO as promptly as possible. We wish Shane the very best in his new role.”

“It has been a privilege to be part of PTC’s exciting growth story,” said Shane Kovacs, Chief Financial Officer, PTC Therapeutics, Inc., “I am confident that PTC will continue its focus on delivering value for patients and shareholders alike as it pursues its mission of meeting unmet needs of those living with rare diseases.”

About PTC Therapeutics

PTC is a global biopharmaceutical company focused on the discovery, development, and commercialization of novel medicines using our expertise in RNA biology. PTC's internally discovered pipeline addresses multiple therapeutic areas, including rare disorders and oncology. PTC has discovered all of its compounds currently under development using its proprietary technologies. Since its founding nearly 20 years ago, PTC' mission has focused on developing treatments to fundamentally change the lives of patients living with rare genetic disorders. The company was founded in 1998 and is headquartered in South Plainfield, New Jersey. For more information on the company, please visit our website www.ptcbio.com.

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Forward Looking Statements:

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results or changes in plans, prospects, assumptions, estimates or projections, or other circumstances occurring after the date of this press release except as required by law.