CELL THERAPEUTICS INC Form 8-K May 04, 2010

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): May 4, 2010

CELL THERAPEUTICS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington (State or other jurisdiction of

001-12465 (Commission File Number) 91-1533912 (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

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).

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)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

On May 3, 2010, Cell Therapeutics, Inc. (the Company) received a notice from The NASDAQ Stock Market indicating that for 30 consecutive business days the closing bid price of the Company s common stock was below the minimum \$1.00 per share requirement for continued listing of the Company s common stock on The NASDAQ Capital Market under NASDAQ Listing Rule 5550(a)(2). This notification has no immediate effect on the listing of or the ability to trade the Company s common stock on The NASDAQ Capital Market.

NASDAQ Listing Rule 5810(c)(3)(A) provides the Company with a grace period of 180 calendar days, or until November 1, 2010, to regain compliance. The Company will achieve compliance if the closing bid price of the Company s common stock is \$1.00 per share or more for a minimum of 10 consecutive business days before November 1, 2010.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

The information provided pursuant to this Item 7.01 shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing or other document filed by the Company pursuant to the Exchange Act or the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing or document. The information provided pursuant to this Item 7.01 shall instead be deemed furnished.

On May 4, 2010, the Company issued a press release in Italy entitled Cell Therapeutics, Inc. Receives NASDAQ Notification Related to Minimum Bid Price. Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 is an English translation of such press release.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits. (d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 English Translation of Press Release of Cell Therapeutics, Inc. dated May 4, 2010.

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: May 4, 2010 By: /s/ James A. Bianco, M.D.

James A. Bianco, M.D. **Chief Executive Officer**

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