ARTES MEDICAL INC Form DEFA14A September 12, 2008

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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): September 12, 2008 Artes Medical, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 001-33205 33-0870808

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

5870 Pacific Center Boulevard San Diego, California 92121

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, with Zip Code)

(858) 550-9999

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

n/a

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

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On September 12, 2008, Artes Medical, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that it has requested the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) to investigate improper conduct by proxy organizer Michael Shack under the SEC s rules governing stockholder communications in connection with the Company s annual meeting. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1, and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release, dated September 12, 2008.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: September 12, 2008

Artes Medical, Inc.

By: /s/ Karla R. Kelly
Karla R. Kelly
Chief Legal Officer, General Counsel
and Corporate Secretary

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