Ocean Power Technologies, Inc. Form 8-K October 24, 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): October 21, 2008 OCEAN POWER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 001-33417 22-2535818

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation (Commission (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1590 Reed Road Pennington, NJ

08534

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (609) 730-0400

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

On October 21, 2008, Ocean Power Technologies, Inc. (OPT or the Company) received a Nasdaq Staff Deficiency Letter indicating that the Company is not currently in compliance with the audit committee composition requirements of Nasdaq Marketplace Rule 4350 (d)(2). This Rule provides that the audit committee of a Nasdaq-listed company have at least three members, each of whom is independent and meets certain other specified criteria. Sir Eric A. Ash did not stand for re-election to the Company s board of directors at the annual meeting held on October 2, 2008, and he has not at the present time been replaced on the audit committee, which currently has two independent directors. Consistent with Marketplace Rule 4350 (d)(4), Nasdaq has provided the Company a cure period to regain compliance, until the earlier of its next annual meeting or September 28, 2009. The Company intends to appoint a new independent director to serve on the audit committee, and be in full compliance with the Marketplace Rules within the cure period.

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On October 24, 2008, OPT issued a press release about our receipt of the Nasdaq Staff Deficiency Letter. The full text of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference. The information in the press release is not to be deemed filed for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is not incorporated by reference in any registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits.
- 99.1 Press release issued by the Company dated October 24, 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 hereunto duly authorized.

OCEAN POWER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

Date: October 24, 2008 By: /s/ CHARLES F. DUNLEAVY

Charles F. Dunleavy

Senior Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer