ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC Form 8-K July 15, 2013

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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
July 15, 2013
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)
ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)
State of New York 1-10113 11-0853640 (State of Other Jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer
of Incorporation) Identification Number)

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Palatine, Illinois 60067
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)
(847) 705-7709
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)
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 (17CFR 240.13e-L(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

On July 15, 2013 we issued a press release announcing that a second generation prototype formulation of our methamphetamine-resistant IMPEDE technology with pseudoephedrine hydrochloride yielded no measurable amount of crystal meth (the street name for the illicit drug methamphetamine hydrochloride) when processed in the direct conversion or one-pot method and that we intend to immediately commence development of an upgraded NEXAFED [pseudoephedrine hydrochloride] Tablet using IMPEDE 2.0. The press release is attached hereto and filed as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated July 15, 2013

SIGNATURES

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.

ACURA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

By: /s/ Peter A. Calamine
Peter A. Calamine
Senior Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

Date: July 15, 2013

Exhibit Index

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99.1 Press Release dated July 15, 2013