ARROWHEAD RESEARCH CORP Form 8-K March 18, 2009

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): March 18, 2009

Arrowhead Research Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

0-21898

(Commission File Number)

Delaware 46-0408024
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (IRS Employer Identification No.)
201 South Lake Avenue, Suite 703, Pasadena, CA 91101

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (626) 304-3400

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4 (c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On March 18, 2009, Arrowhead Research (the Company) issued a press release announcing the withdrawal of two proposals from consideration for approval at the 2009 Annual Meeting of Stockholders scheduled for March 26, 2009. The two proposals, identified as Proposals 3 and 4, were contained in the Company s 2009 Notice and Proxy Statement filed with the Commission on February 18, 2009. Proposal 3 sought shareholder approval for an amendment to the Company s 2004 Equity Incentive Plan to allow a one-time option repricing program, without further stockholder approval. Proposal 4 sought shareholder approval to amend an inducement grant to allow a one-time option repricing, without further stockholder approval.

A copy of the Company s press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated March 18, 2009.

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.

Date: March 18, 2009

ARROWHEAD RESEARCH CORPORATION

By: /s/ Paul C. McDonnel Paul C. McDonnel Chief Financial Officer