Sorrento Therapeutics, Inc. Form 8-K July 13, 2017

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): July 11, 2017

SORRENTO THERAPEUTICS, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

(State or Other Jurisdiction(Commission(IRS
Employerof Incorporation)File Number)Identification
No.)

4955 Directors Place

San Diego, CA 92121

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (858) 203-4100

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:

"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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company "

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(f) On July 11, 2017, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Sorrento Therapeutics, Inc. (the "Company"), upon recommendation of the Compensation Committee of the Board, authorized and approved the payment of a cash bonus of \$41,250 (the "Bonus") to Jerome Zeldis, M.D., Ph.D., the Company's Chief Medical Officer and President of Clinical Development, for services rendered to the Company during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016. This bonus compensation information was not included in the Summary Compensation Table included in the Company's Proxy Statement for its 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 26, 2017 (the "2017 Proxy Statement"), because the amount of such bonus was not determined and not calculable as of the time of the filing of the 2017 Proxy Statement. Dr. Zeldis' total compensation for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016, including the Bonus, is \$1,002,378.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

SORRENTO THERAPEUTICS, INC.

Date: July 12, 2017 By:/s/ Henry Ji, Ph.D. Name: Henry Ji, Ph.D. Title: President and Chief Executive Officer