PEPLIN INC Form 8-K January 13, 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

January 7, 2009

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

Peplin, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State of Incorporation)

000-53410 (Commission File Number) 26-0641830 (IRS Employer

Identification Number)

6475 Christie Avenue

Emeryville, CA 94608

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(510) 653-9700

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

N/A

 $(Former\ Name\ or\ Former\ Address, if\ Changed\ Since\ Last\ Report)$

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On January 7, 2009, Peplin, Inc. (the Company), issued a press release announcing positive results with its lead product candidate PEP005 (ingenol mebutate) Gel in its Phase IIb actinic (solar) keratosis dose ranging clinical trial (PEP005-015). A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Peplin, Inc. press release dated January 7, 2009

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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.

Date: January 13, 2009

PEPLIN, INC.

(Registrant)

By: /s/ David J.B. Smith Name: David J.B. Smith

Title: Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

99.1 Peplin, Inc. press release dated January 7, 2009