

ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
Form 8-K  
October 09, 2014

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 9, 2014

ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	000-27756	13-3648318
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(State or other jurisdiction of of incorporation or organization)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

352 Knotter Drive, Cheshire, Connecticut 06410

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (203) 272-2596

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):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act  
(17 CFR 230.425)
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(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))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

On October 9, 2014, Alexion Pharmaceuticals, Inc. announced that Leonard Bell, M.D., has been appointed Chairman of the Board of Directors. Additionally, Alexion announced that R. Douglas Norby has been appointed to the newly created Board position of Lead Independent Director. Dr. Bell, principal founder of Alexion, continues to serve as Chief Executive Officer. The appointments follow the passing of Max Link, Ph.D., who served as the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Alexion since December 2002 and as a member of the Board since Alexion's inception in 1992. A copy of Alexion's press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release issued by Alexion Pharmaceuticals, Inc. on October 9, 2014.

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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.

Date: October 9, 2014

ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

By: /s/ Michael V. Greco

Name: Michael V. Greco

Title: Vice President of Law and Corporate Secretary