AeroGrow International, Inc. Form SC 13D/A February 16, 2010

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D (Amendment No. 1)

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

AeroGrow International, Inc. (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share (Title of Class of Securities)

00768M103 (CUSIP Number)

> Justin B. Borus Lazarus Investment Partners LLLP c/o Lazarus Management Company LLC 2401 E. 2nd Avenue, Suite 600 Denver, CO 80206 (303) 302-9035

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

November 9, 2009 (Date of event which requires filing of this statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because § 240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g) check the following box o.

#### SCHEDULE 13D

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CUSIP No. 00768M103
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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS.
  I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY).
1
  Lazarus Investment Partners LLLP
  56-2347695
  CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP
2 (a) o
  (b) o
3 SEC USE ONLY
  SOURCE OF FUNDS
4
  PF, OO
  CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS
  REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)
  CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
6
  Delaware
                         SOLE VOTING POWER
                    7
                         7,392,856 (See Item 5)
  NUMBER OF
                         SHARED VOTING POWER
    SHARES
                    8
 BENEFICIALLY
                         0
   OWNED BY
                         SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
     EACH
                    9
  REPORTING
                         7,392,856 (See Item 5)
  PERSON WITH
                         SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
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  AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH
  REPORTING PERSON
11
  7,392,856 (See Item 5)
  CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES
  CERTAIN SHARES
  PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
13
   38.3%
14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON
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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS.
  I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY).
1
  Lazarus Management Company LLC
  33-1042318
  CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP
2 (a) o
  (b) o
3 SEC USE ONLY
  SOURCE OF FUNDS
4
  PF, OO
  CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
  PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)
  CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS.
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  Justin B. Borus
  CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP
2 (a) o
  (b) o
3 SEC USE ONLY
  SOURCE OF FUNDS
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  PF, OO
  CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
  PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)
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  CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
  United States
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  NUMBER OF
                          7,392,856 (See Item 5)
    SHARES
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## **Explanatory Note**

This Amendment No. 1 amends the original Schedule 13D (the "Original Schedule 13D) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by Lazarus Partners, Lazarus Management and Justin B. Borus (collectively, the "Reporting Persons") on July 23, 2009. This Amendment No. 1 is being filed as a result of new information disclosed in Items 3, 4, 5 and 6. This Amendment No. 1 amends and restates the Original Schedule 13D filed by the Reporting Persons.

## Item 1. Security and Issuer.

- (a) This statement on Schedule 13D relates to the common stock of AeroGrow International, Inc., a Nevada corporation (the "Issuer").
- (b) The principal executive offices of the Issuer are located at 6075 Longbow Drive, Suite 200, Boulder, Colorado, 80301.
- Item 2. Identity and Background.
- (a)-(c) and (f) This statement is being filed by Lazarus Investment Partners LLLP, a Delaware limited liability limited partnership ("Lazarus Partners").

Lazarus Management Company LLC, a Colorado limited liability company ("Lazarus Management"), is the investment adviser and general partner of Lazarus Partners, and consequently may be deemed to have voting control and investment discretion over securities owned by Lazarus Partners. Justin B. Borus ("Mr. Borus") is the managing member of Lazarus Management. As a result, Mr. Borus may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of any shares deemed to be beneficially owned by Lazarus Management. The foregoing should not be construed in and of itself as an admission by Lazarus Management or Mr. Borus as to beneficial ownership of the shares owned by Lazarus Partners. Each of Lazarus Management and Mr. Borus disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities set forth in this Schedule 13D, except to the extent of its or his pecuniary interests therein.

The business address for the Reporting Persons is c/o Lazarus Management Company LLC, 2401 E. 2nd Avenue, Suite 600, Denver, Colorado 80206. Mr. Borus is a United States citizen.

The principal business of Lazarus Partners is investing in securities. The principal business of Lazarus Management is providing investment advice. The principal business of Mr. Borus is investment management.

- (d) During the last five years, none of the Reporting Persons have been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors).
- (e) During the last five years, none of the Reporting Persons have been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding were or are subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, Federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.
- Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

On June 30, 2009, the Reporting Persons used a combination of sources to purchase shares of the Issuer's Series A Preferred Stock (the "Series A Stock") and a warrant to purchase shares of Series A Stock (the "Series A Warrant"). The Reporting Persons exchanged securities of the Issuer held by the Reporting Persons that were valued by the Issuer at

approximately \$497,000 and made a cash payment out of personal funds in the amount of \$650,000 for a total of 1,147 shares of Series A Stock and a Series A Warrant for 574 shares of Series A Stock. In connection with this transaction and on the same date, the Reporting

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Persons distributed a portion of the Series A Stock and Series A Warrant then held to a former limited partner effective as of June 30, 2009. As a result, as of June 30, 2009, the Reporting Persons hold 860 shares of Series A Stock and a Series A Warrant to purchase 428 shares of Series A Stock.

On September 1, 2009, Lazarus Partners entered into a Bridge Loan with the Issuer. In consideration for the loan, Lazarus Partners was issued a five(5) year warrant to purchase 250,000 shares of common stock ("September Common Stock Warrant") at an exercise price of \$0.25 per share.

On November 9, 2009, Lazarus Partners entered into a Bridge Loan with the Issuer. In consideration for the loan, Lazarus Partners was issued a five (5) year warrant to purchase 200,000 shares of common stock ("November Common Stock Warrant") at an exercise price of \$0.25 per share.

The Reporting Persons also hold previously purchased shares of the Issuer's common stock that were acquire by personal funds.

#### Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

(a)-(i) The purpose of the June 30, 2009 transaction was to acquire the Series A Stock and Series A Warrant. Each Series A Warrant has a term of five (5) years with an exercise price of \$1,250 per share. The Reporting Persons may exercise the Series A Warrant at any time. At the election of the Reporting Persons, each share of Series A Stock is convertible into 5,000 shares of the Issuer's common stock, subject to customary anti-dilution adjustments. The holders of the Series A Stock, in aggregate, are entitled to appoint three (3) directors to the board of directors of the Issuer. In connection with the transactions, the Issuer amended its bylaws to render the Nevada control share statute inapplicable to the Issuer. The holders of Series A Stock are entitled to vote alongside the holders of the Issuer's common stock on an as-converted-to common stock basis. The holders of the Series A Stock are entitled to receive preferential dividends in the amount of 8% per annum when and if declared by the board of directors of the Issuer. The holders of the Series A Stock, in aggregate and voting as a separate class, are entitled to vote on certain corporate transactions of the Issuer including, without limitation, any amendments to the Issuer's bylaws or articles of incorporation and the creation of any equity securities senior to the Series A Stock. The description of the terms of the Series A Stock are qualified in their entirety by reference to the Issuer's Certificate of Designations filed with the Nevada Secretary of State on June 29, 2009 (which is included as Exhibit B to this Schedule 13D and is incorporated by reference into this Item 4). The description of the terms of the Series A Warrant are qualified in their entirety by reference to the Issuer's Form of Series A Preferred Stock Warrant (which is included as Exhibit C to this Schedule 13D and is incorporated by reference into this Item 4).

The purpose of the September 1, 2009 transaction was for Lazarus Partners to provide a short-term loan to the Issuer. The Issuer will repay the principal amount of \$250,000, together with accrued interest from the date of disbursement at the rate of 15% per annum. The principal and interest are due on November 16, 2009.

The purpose of the November 9, 2009 transaction was for Lazarus Partners to provide a short-term loan to the Issuer. The Issuer will repay the principal amount of \$200,000, together with accrued interest from the date of disbursement at the rate of 20% per annum. The principal and interest are due on February 1, 2010.

#### Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

(a) As of the date hereof, Lazarus Partners may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of an aggregate of 7,392,856 shares of common stock, including shares of common stock issuable upon conversion of the 860 shares of Series A Stock, 428 shares of Series A Stock underlying the Series A Warrant, 250,000 shares underlying the September Common Stock Warrant, 200,000 shares underlying the November Common Stock Warrant and 502,856 shares held

directly. The aggregate number of shares of common stock of the Issuer the Reporting Persons beneficially own represents 38.3% of the Issuer's outstanding common stock after exercise of the warrants and conversion of the Series A Stock based on

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12,398,249 shares of common stock outstanding as of October 31, 2009 as reported in the Issuer's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on November 19, 2009.

Lazarus Management, as the investment adviser and general partner of Lazarus Partners, may be deemed to have voting control and investment discretion over securities owned by Lazarus Partners.

Mr. Borus, as the managing member of Lazarus Management, may also be deemed to beneficially own the shares of common stock beneficially owned by Lazarus Partners.

The foregoing should not be construed in and of itself as an admission by Lazarus Management or Mr. Borus as to beneficial ownership of the shares owned by Lazarus Partners.

- (b) The Reporting Persons have the sole power to vote or to direct the voting of all such shares described in Item 5(a) above. The Reporting Persons have the sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of all such shares described in Item 5(a) above. The Reporting Persons do not have shared power to vote or to direct the vote of any such shares described in Item 5(a) above, and do not have shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of any such shares described in Item 5(a) above.
- (c) On June 30, 2009, Lazarus Partners entered into a privately-negotiated agreement with the Issuer pursuant to which it acquired 1,147 shares of Series A Stock and a Series A Warrant to purchase 574 shares of Series A Stock. Lazarus Partners paid \$1,000 per share of Series A Stock and received a Series A Warrant to purchase 0.5 shares of Series A Stock, exercisable at \$1,250 per share for each share of Series A Stock purchased. On June 30, 2009, Lazarus Partners distributed a portion of these securities to a former limited partner and as a result, holds 860 shares of Series A Stock and a Series A Warrant to purchase 428 shares of Series A Stock.

On September 1, 2009, for value received, the Issuer issued a Promissory Note to Lazarus Partners. In consideration for the loan, Lazarus Partners was issued a five (5) year warrant to purchase 250,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$0.25 per share.

On November 9, 2009, for value received, the Issuer issued a promissory note to Lazarus Partners. In consideration for the loan, Lazarus Partners was issued a five (5) year warrant to purchase 200,000 shares of common stock at an exercise price of \$0.25 per share.

- (d) The holders of the Series A Stock are entitled to receive preferential dividends in the amount of 8% per annum when and if declared by the board of directors of the Issuer.
- (e) Not applicable.
- Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

Lazarus Partners and the Issuer entered into an Investor Rights Agreement on June 30, 2009 (the "Investor Rights Agreement"), pursuant to which, among other things, the Issuer agreed to grant certain registration rights on the shares of common stock underlying the Series A Stock to Lazarus Partnership. The description of the terms of the Investor Rights Agreement are qualified in their entirety by reference to the Investor Rights Agreement (which is included as Exhibit D to this Schedule 13D and is incorporated by reference into this Item 6).

Lazarus Partners received a Promissory Note from the Issuer in return for a loan made to the Issuer by Lazarus Partners. The Issuer will repay the principal amount of \$250,000, together with accrued interest from the date of disbursement at the rate of 15% per annum. The principal and interest are due on November 16, 2009.

Lazarus Partners received a Promissory Note from the Issuer in return for a loan made to the Issuer by Lazarus Partners. The Issuer will repay the principal amount of \$200,000, together with accrued interest from the date of disbursement at the rate of 20% per annum. The principal and interest are due on February 1, 2010.

- Item 7. Material to Be Filed as Exhibits.
- Exhibit A: Joint Filing Agreement, dated as of July 23, 2009, by and among Lazarus Investment Partners LLLP, Lazarus Management Company LLC and Justin B. Borus.
- Exhibit B: Certificate of Designations (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.7 to the Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2009).
- Exhibit C: Form of Series A Preferred Stock Warrant (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.19 to the Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2009).
- Exhibit D: Investor Rights Agreement (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.20 to the Issuer's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2009).

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## **SIGNATURE**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: February 16, 2010

LAZARUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS LLLP

By: Lazarus Management Company LLC its general partner

By: /s/ Justin B.

Borus

Name: Justin B.

Borus

Title: Chief Compliance Officer

LAZARUS MANAGEMENT COMPANY LLC

By: /s/ Justin B.

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Name: Justin B.

Borus

Title: Chief Compliance Officer

/s/ Justin B. Borus Justin B. Borus

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#### **EXHIBIT A**

#### JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

This will confirm the agreement by and among the undersigned that the Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on or about the date hereof with respect to the beneficial ownership by the undersigned of the common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of AeroGrow International, Inc., a Nevada corporation, is being filed, and all amendments thereto will be filed, on behalf of each of the persons and entities named below in accordance with Rule 13d-1(k) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

Dated: February 16, 2010

LAZARUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS LLLP

By: Lazarus Management Company LLC its general partner

By: /s/ Justin B. Borus Name: Justin B.

Borus
Title: Chief
Compliance
Officer

LAZARUS MANAGEMENT COMPANY LLC

By: /s/ Justin B.

Borus

Name: Justin B.

Borus

Title: Chief Compliance Officer

/s/ Justin B. Borus Justin B. Borus Page 10 of 10