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#### **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): May 2, 2014

#### ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**DELAWARE** (State or other jurisdiction

**001-35068** (Commission

**41-2193603** (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)
351 Galveston Drive

**Identification No.)** 

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(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (650) 216-3500

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#### ITEM 1.01 ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.

On May 2, 2014, AcelRx Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the Company ) entered into an amendment (the Lease Amendment ) to that certain lease dated December 21, 2011 (the Existing Lease ) with Metropolitan Life Insurance Company (the Landlord ) for 13,787 square feet of space located at 301 Galveston Drive, Redwood City, California (the Current Premises ). Pursuant to the Lease Amendment, the term of the Existing Lease has been extended for a period of twenty (20) months and twenty-two (22) days (the Extended Term ) and expiring January 31, 2018 (the Expiration Date ), unless sooner terminated pursuant to the terms of the Lease.

In addition, the Lease Amendment included a new lease on an additional 12,106 square feet of office space (the Expansion Space ), which is adjacent to the Current Premises. The new lease for the Expansion Space has a term of 42 months commencing on August 1, 2014, and expiring on the Expiration Date. The Company has an option to extend the term of the Lease Amendment for an additional five years, which would commence upon the Expiration Date, at a market rate determined according to the Existing Lease.

Base rent payable under the Lease Amendment during the Extended Term for the Current Premises will be as follows:

|                                 | Monthly Base |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Period from/to                  | Rent         |
| May 9, 2016 to May 8, 2017      | \$ 35,961.55 |
| May 9, 2017 to January 31, 2018 | 37,040.40    |

Base rent payable under the Lease Amendment for the Expansion Space, commencing August 1, 2014, will be as follows:

|                      | Monthly Base |           |
|----------------------|--------------|-----------|
| Months of Lease Term |              | Rent      |
| 1-12                 | \$           | 23,001.40 |
| 13-24                |              | 23,691.44 |
| 25-36                |              | 24,402.18 |
| 37-42                |              | 25,134.25 |

In addition, the Company will pay the Landlord specified percentages of certain operating expenses and taxes related to the leased facility incurred by the Landlord.

As of May 2, 2014, the total remaining base rent obligation for the leases is approximately \$2.7 million.

The foregoing summary does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Lease Amendment, which is attached as Exhibit 10.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

# ITEM 2.03 CREATION OF A DIRECT FINANCIAL OBLIGATION OR AN OBLIGATION UNDER AN OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENT OF A REGISTRANT.

The information set forth above and referenced under Item 1.01 is hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 2.03.

### ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

## (d) Exhibits.

| Exhibit<br>Number | Description   |
|-------------------|---|
| 10.1              | First Amendment to Lease between Metropolitan Life Insurance Company and the Registrant, dated May 2, 2014. |

#### **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: May 7, 2014 ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

By: /s/ Timothy E. Morris Timothy E. Morris Chief Financial Officer