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, 2020

DIFFUSION PHARMACEUTICALS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-24477 (Commission File Number) **30-0645032** (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1317 Carlton Avenue, Suite 200 Charlottesville, Virginia (Address of principal executive offices)

22902 (Zip Code)

(434) 220-0718

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(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 |
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| following provisions: | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) |
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| 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)) |
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Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

| Title of each class | Trading Symbol(s) | Name of each exchange on which registered |
|---|-------------------|---|
| Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share | DFFN | NASDAQ Capital Market |

| 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 |
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| his chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter). |
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| Emerging growth company | | |
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| 0 00 1 | ny, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended ccounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. | _ |

Item 3.01 Notice of Delisting or Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule or Standard; Transfer of Listing.

On October 9, 2020, Diffusion Pharmaceuticals Inc. (the "Company") received a written notice from the staff (the "Staff") of the Listing Qualifications Department of The Nasdaq Stock Market, LLC ("Nasdaq") indicating that the Company was not in compliance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(a)(2) because the bid price for the Company's common stock had closed below \$1.00 per share for the previous 30 consecutive business days.

In accordance with Nasdaq Listing Rule 5810(c)(3)(A), the Company has 180 calendar days from the date of such notice, or until April 7, 2021, to regain compliance with the minimum bid price requirement. To regain compliance, the bid price for the Company's common stock must close at \$1.00 per share or more for a minimum of 10 consecutive business days.

Nasdaq's written notice has no effect on the listing or trading of the Company's common stock at this time, and the Company is currently evaluating its alternatives to resolve this listing deficiency.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: October 9, 2020 DIFFUSION PHARMACEUTICALS INC.

By: /s/ William Hornung

Name: William Hornung Title: Chief Financial Officer