RiceBran Technologies Form 8-K August 24, 2016

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): August 18, 2016

RICEBRAN TECHNOLOGIES

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

California0-3256587-0673375(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

6720 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 390 Scottsdale, AZ (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (602) 522-3000

(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 following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

On August 18, 2016, RiceBran Technologies (the "Company") received a notification letter from The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq") indicating that the Company has failed to comply with the minimum stockholders' equity requirement of Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(b)(1). Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(b)(1) requires that companies listed on the Nasdaq Capital Market maintain a minimum of \$2,500,000 in stockholders' equity for continued listing. The Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2016 reported stockholders' equity (deficit) of (\$36,000).

The notification letter has no immediate effect on the Company's listing on the Nasdaq Capital Market. Nasdaq has provided the Company with 45 calendar days, or until October 3, 2016, to submit a plan to regain compliance with the minimum stockholders' equity standard. If the Company's plan to regain compliance is accepted, Nasdaq may grant an extension of up to 180 calendar days from the date of the notification letter to regain compliance. If its plan to regain compliance is not accepted, the Company will have the opportunity to appeal that decision to a Hearings Panel.

The Company intends to promptly evaluate options available to regain compliance and to timely submit a plan to regain compliance with Nasdaq's minimum stockholders' equity standard. There can be no assurance that the Company's plan will be accepted or that, if it is, the Company will be able to regain compliance with the applicable Nasdaq listing requirements.

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.

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Date: August 24, 2016 By:/s/ J. Dale Belt J. Dale Belt Chief Financial Officer (Duly Authorized Officer)