STEMCELLS INC Form 8-K March 12, 2013

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):

March 6, 2013

StemCells, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

000-19871

(Commission

File Number)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

7707 Gateway Blvd, Suite 140, Newark, California

(Address of principal executive offices)

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 following provisions:

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94-3078125

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

94560

(Zip Code)

510.456.4000

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<u>Top of the Form</u> Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

StemCells, Inc.'s Board Director Dr. Roger Perlmutter has informed the Company that due to his appointment as executive vice president of Merck & Co and president of Merck Research Laboratories, as of April 15, 2013, he intends to step down as a member of the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") by December 31, 2013. Dr. Perlmutter indicated in his notice to the Company that his planned resignation and early departure from the Board was due to his other professional commitments and not the result of any disagreement with the Company on any matter related to its operations, policies or practices. Dr. Perlmutter will continue to serve on the Board until his date of resignation.

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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.

StemCells, Inc.

By: /s/ Kenneth Stratton

Name: Kenneth Stratton Title: General Counsel