

**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 21, 2015**

**ALKERMES PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Ireland**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**001—35299**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**98-1007018**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**Connaught House**  
**1 Burlington Road**  
**Dublin 4, Ireland**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **+353-1-772-8000**

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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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On August 21, 2015, Alkermes plc issued the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, which is incorporated by reference in this Item 7.01.

The information in this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

**Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

The press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated by reference in Item 7.01 above contains forward-looking statements that involve certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by these statements. Please refer to the cautionary notes above and in the press release regarding these forward-looking statements.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release issued by Alkermes plc dated August 21, 2015.

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**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.

**ALKERMES PLC**

Date: August 21, 2015

By: /s/ James M. Frates  
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**ALKERMES PROVIDES UPDATE ON FDA REVIEW OF ARISTADA™ FOR THE TREATMENT OF SCHIZOPHRENIA**

**DUBLIN, Ireland, Aug. 21, 2015** — Alkermes plc (NASDAQ: ALKS) today announced that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has advised Alkermes that it will not be able to complete its review of the New Drug Application (NDA) for ARISTADA™ (aripiprazole lauroxil) for the treatment of schizophrenia by the Prescription Drug User Fee Act (PDUFA) action date of Aug. 22, 2015. The FDA indicated that this delay was expected to be brief, measured in terms of weeks, but could not confirm specific timing. The FDA also indicated that no additional data or information is required from Alkermes at this time.

“We are confident in the ARISTADA program and our NDA submission, and we will work closely with the FDA as they complete their review,” said Elliot Ehrich, M.D., Chief Medical Officer of Alkermes. “We look forward to bringing ARISTADA to market as a potential new treatment option to help address the significant unmet medical needs of patients living with schizophrenia.”

**About ARISTADA™**

ARISTADA is an injectable atypical antipsychotic with one-month and extended-duration formulations in development for the treatment of schizophrenia. Once in the body, ARISTADA converts to aripiprazole. As a long-acting investigational medication based on Alkermes' proprietary LinkeRx® technology, ARISTADA is designed to have multiple dosing options and to be administered in a ready-to-use, pre-filled product format.

**About Alkermes**

Alkermes plc is a fully integrated, global biopharmaceutical company developing innovative medicines for the treatment of central nervous system (CNS) diseases. The company has a diversified commercial product portfolio and a substantial clinical pipeline of product candidates for chronic diseases that include schizophrenia, depression, addiction and multiple sclerosis. Headquartered in Dublin, Ireland, Alkermes plc has an R&D center in Waltham, Massachusetts; a research and manufacturing facility in Athlone, Ireland; and a manufacturing facility in Wilmington, Ohio. For more information, please visit Alkermes' website at [www.alkermes.com](http://www.alkermes.com).

**Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

Certain statements set forth in this press release constitute “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended, including, but not limited to, statements concerning the timing and outcome of FDA regulatory review of the NDA submission for ARISTADA for the treatment of schizophrenia and its potential therapeutic value, and the commercial potential of ARISTADA. The company cautions that forward-looking statements are inherently uncertain. Although the company believes that such statements are based on reasonable assumptions within the bounds of its knowledge of its business and operations, the forward-looking statements are neither promises nor guarantees and they are necessarily subject to a high degree of uncertainty and risk. Actual performance and results may differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements due to various risks and uncertainties. These risks and uncertainties include, among others: whether ARISTADA will be approved by regulatory authorities for the treatment of schizophrenia; if approved, whether ARISTADA will be commercialized successfully; whether ARISTADA could be shown ineffective or unsafe; and those risks described in the Alkermes plc Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2015 and Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2014, and in any other subsequent filings made by the company with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), which are available on the SEC's website at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). The information contained in this press release is provided by the company as of the date hereof, and, except as required by law, the company disclaims any intention or responsibility for updating or revising any forward-looking information contained in this press release.

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