## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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): September 20, 2018

# EYEGATE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-36672 (Commission File Number)

271 Waverley Oaks Road Suite 108 Waltham, MA

(Address of principal executive offices)

98-0443284 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

> **02452** (Zip Code)

(781) 788-9043

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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□ 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))

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 this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting 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.

As previously reported, on March 20, 2018, EyeGate Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Company") received written notice (the "Notice Letter") from The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq") notifying the Company that it was not in compliance with the minimum bid price requirements set forth in Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(a)(2) (the "Bid Price Rule") for continued listing on The Nasdaq Capital Market. The Notice Letter stated that the Company had 180 calendar days, or until September 17, 2018, to regain compliance by maintaining a minimum closing bid price of at least \$1.00 for a minimum of 10 consecutive business days.

On September 20, 2018, Nasdaq notified the Company in writing (the "Extension Letter") that while the Company had not regained compliance with the Bid Price Rule, it was eligible for an additional 180-day compliance period, or until March 18, 2019, to regain compliance with the Bid Price Rule. Nasdaq's determination was based on the Company having met the continued listing requirement for market value of publicly held shares and all other applicable requirements for initial listing on The Nasdaq Capital Market, with the exception of the Bid Price Rule, and on the Company's written notice to Nasdaq of its intention to cure the deficiency during the second compliance period by effecting a reverse stock split, if necessary.

If the Company does not regain compliance during the second 180-day period, then Nasdaq will notify the Company of its determination to delist the Company's common stock, at which point the Company would have an opportunity to appeal the delisting determination to a hearings panel. The Company would remain listed on Nasdaq pending the hearings panel's decision. There can be no assurance that, if the Company does appeal the delisting determination by Nasdaq to the hearings panel, that such appeal would be successful.

The Company intends to continue to monitor the closing bid price of its common stock and may, if appropriate, consider implementing available options to regain compliance with the minimum bid price requirement under the Nasdaq Listing Rules.

## Item 8.01. Other Events.

On September 25, 2018, the Company issued a press release announcing the receipt of the Extension Letter. A copy of the press release is being filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

## Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The Company hereby files the following exhibit:

99.1 Press Release of the Company, dated as of September 25, 2018.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

## EYEGATE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

By: /s/ Stephen From Stephen From

President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: September 25, 2018

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<u>99.1</u> <u>Press Release of the Company, dated as of September 25, 2018.</u>

## EyeGate Pharmaceuticals Granted Additional 180 Days to Comply With Nasdaq Listing Rules

WALTHAM, Mass., Sept. 25, 2018 -- EyeGate Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (NASDAQ: EYEG) a clinical-stage, specialty pharmaceutical company with two proprietary platform technologies for treating diseases and disorders of the eye, today announced that the Company has been granted an additional 180 days to comply with Nasdaq's continued listing rules.

Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(a)(2) requires listed securities to maintain a minimum bid price of \$1 per share. With the extension granted, EyeGate has until March 18, 2019 to meet this requirement by having a closing bid price of at least \$1 per share for a minimum of ten consecutive business days during this additional time period.

## About EyeGate

EyeGate is a clinical-stage specialty pharmaceutical company focused on developing and commercializing products developing and commercializing products using its two proprietary platform technologies for treating diseases and disorders of the eye.

EyeGate's CMHA-S platform, EyeGate OBG, is based on a modified form of the natural polymer hyaluronic acid, which is a gel that possesses unique physical and chemical properties such as hydrating and healing when applied to the ocular surface. The ability of CMHA-S to adhere longer to the ocular surface, resist degradation and protect the ocular surface makes it well-suited for treating various ocular surface injuries including surgical trauma.

EGP-437, EyeGate's other product in clinical trials, incorporates a reformulated topically active corticosteroid, Dexamethasone Phosphate that is delivered into the ocular tissues through EyeGate's proprietary innovative drug delivery system, the EyeGate II Delivery System. For more information, please visit www.EyeGatePharma.com.

#### **EyeGate Social Media**

EyeGate uses its website (www.EyeGatePharma.com), Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/ EyeGatePharma/), corporate Twitter account (https://twitter.com/EyeGatePharma), and LinkedIn page (https://www.linkedin.com/company/135892/) as channels of distribution of information about EyeGate and its product candidates. Such information may be deemed material information, and EyeGate may use these channels to comply with its disclosure obligations under Regulation FD. Therefore, investors should monitor EyeGate's website and its social media accounts in addition to following its press releases, SEC filings, public conference calls, and webcasts. The social media channels that EyeGate intends to use as a means of disclosing the information described above may be updated from time to time as listed on EyeGate's investor relations website.

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

Some of the statements discussed in this press release contain "forward-looking" statements and are made pursuant to the safe harbor provision of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These "forward-looking" statements include statements that involve significant risks and uncertainties, including statements relating to the prospects for the Company's OBG and EGP-437 product candidates, for the timing and outcome of the Company's clinical trials, the potential approval to market OBG and/or EGP-437, and the Company's capital needs. Actual events could differ materially from those set forth in this press release, including, among other things, certain risk factors described under the heading "Risk Factors" contained in EyeGate's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 2, 2018 or described in EyeGate's other public filings. EyeGate's results may also be affected by factors of which EyeGate is not currently aware. The forward-looking statements in this press release speak only as of the date of this press release. EyeGate expressly disclaims any obligation or undertaking to release publicly any updates or revisions to such statements to reflect any change in its expectations with regard thereto or any changes in the events, conditions or circumstances on which any such statement is based.

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