

T2 Biosystems, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
August 07, 2015

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**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 4, 2015**

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**T2 BIOSYSTEMS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**001-36571**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**20-4827488**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification Number)

**101 Hartwell Avenue, Lexington, Massachusetts 02421**  
(Address of principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

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(781) 761-4646

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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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 5.02** **Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

(b) On August 4, 2015, Marc R. Jones notified T2 Biosystems, Inc. (the Company) of his resignation as the Company's Chief Financial Officer effective August 5, 2015 immediately following the Company's filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission of its quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ending June 30, 2015 and as an employee effective August 10, 2015. In connection with his resignation, the Company anticipates entering into a separation agreement with Mr. Jones pursuant to which he will execute a general release of claims in the Company's favor and be entitled to receive (1) an amount equal to 6 months of his annual base salary (\$150,000 in the aggregate), payable over a 6-month period following his resignation, and (2) reimbursement for a portion of the COBRA premiums (based on the then-current cost-sharing rates for active employees) for continued medical coverage for 6 months following his resignation.

(c) Also on August 4, 2015, the Company's Board of Directors appointed Maurice L. Castonguay to serve as the Company's Chief Financial Officer, effective August 5, 2015 immediately following the Company's filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission of its quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ending June 30, 2015. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Castonguay, 64, held various positions, including Chief Financial Officer, Principal Accounting Officer, and Senior Vice President, at Sonus Networks, Inc., from August 2011 through November 2013. Prior to joining Sonus Networks, Inc., Mr. Castonguay served as Chief Financial Officer of BigBand Networks, Inc., as well as various additional public and private companies during his career.

(e) In connection with his appointment, the Company entered into an offer letter agreement and change of control severance letter agreement with Mr. Castonguay. Under the terms of Mr. Castonguay's offer letter agreement, he will receive an initial annual base salary of \$300,000 and will be eligible to receive an annual cash bonus award targeted at 40% of his annual base salary (pro-rated for 2015), subject to the attainment of Company and individual performance goals. Effective as of August 6, 2015, the Board granted Mr. Castonguay an option under the Company's 2014 Incentive Award Plan to purchase 146,600 shares of common stock of the Company at an exercise price per share equal to the stock's closing price on the NASDAQ market on the grant date. The option vests as to 25% of the shares on the first anniversary of Mr. Castonguay's employment start date and as to the remaining shares in equal monthly installments over the following 36 months, subject to Mr. Castonguay's continued service. Mr. Castonguay has also entered into a non-compete, non-disclosure and invention assignment agreement with us pursuant to which he has agreed to refrain from disclosing our confidential information indefinitely and from competing with us or soliciting our employees or consultants for 12 months following termination of his employment.

In addition, Mr. Castonguay and the Company entered into a change of control severance letter agreement. The agreement provides that, if Mr. Castonguay's employment is terminated by the Company without cause within 3 months preceding or 12 months following a change of control or by Mr. Castonguay for good reason within 12 months following a change of control (with the terms cause, change of control and good reason as defined in the change of control severance letter agreement), Mr. Castonguay will be entitled, subject to his signing and not revoking a general release of claims in the Company's favor, to receive:

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- an amount equal to his annual base salary, payable over a 12-month period following his termination,
- reimbursement for a portion of the COBRA premiums (based on the then-current cost-sharing rates for active employees) for continued medical coverage for up to 12 months following his termination,
- if the termination occurs prior to the first anniversary of his start date, accelerated vesting of the portion of his equity awards that would have otherwise vested over the 12 month period following the date of termination, and
- if the termination occurs on or after the first anniversary of his start date, full accelerated vesting of all of his outstanding equity awards.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>                 |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| 99.1               | Press Release dated August 4, 2015 |

**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.

Date: August 7, 2015

**T2 BIOSYSTEMS, INC.**

By:

*/s/ John McDonough*  
John McDonough  
President and Chief Executive Officer