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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

October 21, 2017

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

ABAXIS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California 000-19720 77-0213001

(State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

3240 Whipple Road

Union City, CA 94587

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(510) 675-6500

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

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

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).

Emerging growth company

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.

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

The information in this Item 2.02, including the exhibit attached hereto, is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended or the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Item 2.02 shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

On October 24, 2017, Abaxis, Inc. announced its financial results for the three and six months ended September 30, 2017 and certain other financial information. A copy of Abaxis' press release announcing these financial results and certain other financial information is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On October 21, 2017, the Board of Directors of Abaxis, Inc. declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.16 per common share, to be paid on December 15, 2017 to all shareholders of record as of the close of business on December 1, 2017. On October 21, 2017, the Board of Directors of Abaxis, Inc. also approved a \$21.0 million increase to its existing share repurchase program, to a total of \$75.0 million.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibit is furnished with this report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release dated October 24, 2017

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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.

Date: October 24, 2017

Abaxis, Inc.

By:/s/ Ross Taylor
Ross Taylor
Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer