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): April 16, 2015

PACIRA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-35060 (Commission File Number)

51-0619477 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

5 Sylvan Way, Suite 300, Parsippany, New Jersey 07054 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(973) 254-3560

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 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On April 16, 2015, Pacira Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("Pacira") announced that it received a subpoena from the U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey, requiring the production of a broad range of documents pertaining to marketing and promotional practices related to the product EXPAREL® (bupivacaine liposome injectable suspension). Pacira intends to cooperate with the government's investigation. Pacira can make no assurances as to the time or resources that will need to be devoted to this inquiry or its final outcome, or the impact, if any, of this inquiry or any proceedings on Pacira's business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

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: April 16, 2015

Pacira Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

By: /s/ James Scibetta

James Scibetta

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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