Calithera Biosciences, Inc. Form 8-K May 15, 2017

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): May 10, 2017

Calithera Biosciences, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction 001-36644 (Commission 27-2366329 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

343 Oyster Point Blvd., Suite 200

South San Francisco, California94080(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (650) 870-1000

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)

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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).

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.

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

(e) Amendment to 2017 Performance Bonus Plan

On May 10, 2017, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors, approved an amendment to the 2017 performance bonus program by increasing the total 2017 target performance bonus as a percentage of base salary for Keith Orford, M.D., Ph.D. from 35% to 40%. The 2017 annual performance bonuses for each other named executive officer are otherwise as set forth in our current report on Form 8-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 13, 2017.

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.

Dated: May 15, 2017

Calithera Biosciences, Inc.

By: /s/ Susan M. Molineaux, Ph.D. Susan M. Molineaux, Ph.D. President and Chief Executive Officer