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):January 12, 2024

HCW Biologics Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-40591 (Commission File Number) 82-5024477 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

> 33025 (Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: 954 842-2024

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

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:

□ 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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

	Trading	
Title of each class	Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	HCWB	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

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. \boxtimes

2929 N. Commerce Parkway Miramar. Florida

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Item 1.02 Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement.

On January 10, 2024, HCW Biologics Inc. (the "Company") exercised its right to terminate its credit agreement (the "Agreement"), dated April 21, 2023, with Prime Capital Ventures, LLC (the "Lender"), as permitted under the terms of the Agreement. The termination followed repeated delays in funding and related concerns. There are no borrowings under the Agreement, and the Company will not incur any penalties as a result of such termination under the terms of the Agreement. Upon exercising its right to terminate the Agreement, the Company became entitled to receive the return of the \$5.25 million that the Company placed on deposit to establish an interest reserve account with the Lender, as required under the terms of the Agreement.

The Company entered the Agreement to obtain financing for the purpose of building its proposed manufacturing facility and upgrading its research and laboratory facilities at its new headquarters located in Miramar, Florida. The Company is currently seeking an alternative source of financing to allow the building project to continue with minimal delays.

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.

HCW BIOLOGICS INC.

Date: January 12, 2024

By: /s/ Hing C. Wong

Hing C. Wong, Ph.D., Founder and CEO