Akebia Therapeutics, Inc. Form 8-K/A September 22, 2014

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Amendment No. 1

to

FORM 8-K/A

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)

OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

July 14, 2014

AKEBIA THERAPEUTICS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

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Delaware 001-36352 20-8756903 (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer

of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

245 First Street, Suite 1100, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip Code)

(617) 871-2098

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

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

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

As previously disclosed in the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by Akebia Therapeutics, Inc. (the Company) on July 17, 2014, the Company s Board of Directors (the Board) elected Michael Clayman, M.D. and Maxine Gowen, Ph.D. as directors. Drs. Clayman and Gowen were not appointed to committees of the Board at that time. On September 18, 2014, Dr. Clayman was appointed to serve on the Company s Nominating & Governance Committee, and Dr. Gowen was appointed to serve on the Company s Audit Committee.

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.

AKEBIA THERAPEUTICS, INC.

By: /s/ JOHN P. BUTLER John P. Butler

President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: September 22, 2014