



Item 8.01. Other Events.

Cardiovascular Systems, Inc. (the “Company”) is party to Steven Babyak v. Cardiovascular Systems, Inc., originally filed in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, on November 16, 2015. The plaintiff, a former Regional Sales Manager of the Company, made claims relating to whistleblower retaliation; defamation; discrimination on the basis of association with protected group; harassment on the basis of sex in violation of FEHA; retaliation for exercising rights under FEHA; failure to prevent discrimination, harassment & retaliation in violation of FEHA; wrongful termination in violation of public policy; and violation of business & professions code. Following a jury trial that commenced on April 17, 2017, on April 24, 2017, the jury awarded the plaintiff \$2.7 million in compensatory damages with respect to his claims for whistleblower retaliation and wrongful termination in violation of public policy, and on April 25, 2017, the jury awarded the plaintiff \$22.4 million in punitive damages with respect to the same claims. The Company strongly believes that this case was incorrectly decided as to liability, the amount of compensatory damages, and the appropriateness and amount of punitive damages. The Company intends to vigorously challenge the verdict in the trial court and appeal. The Company is assessing the impact of this verdict on its financial results and condition and will provide further updates accordingly.

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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: April 26, 2017

**CARDIOVASCULAR  
SYSTEMS, INC.**

By: /s/ Laurence L. Betterley  
Laurence L. Betterley  
Chief Financial Officer