ANTIGENICS INC /DE/ Form 8-K June 04, 2009

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

June 3, 2009

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

ANTIGENICS INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction

000-29089 (Commission 06-1562417 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

3 Forbes Road

Lexington, MA (Address of principal executive offices)

02421 (Zip Code)

781-674-4400

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On June 3, 2009, Antigenics Inc. (the Company) entered into a Securities Exchange Agreement (the Agreement) with Tang Capital Partners, LP, a holder of an aggregate principal amount of \$12,442,000.00 of the Company s 5.25% convertible senior notes due February 2025 (the Bonds), to issue 4,028,838 shares of the Company s common stock, par value \$0.01 (the Shares) in exchange for cancellation of the Bonds, including accrued and unpaid interest.

On June 3, 2009, the Company also entered into an agreement (the Second Amendment of Rights Agreement) with Ingalls & Synder Value Partners L.P., the majority holder of the Company $\,$ s Senior Secured Convertible Notes issued on October 30, 2006 (the 2006 Notes). The Second Amendment of Rights Agreement amended the definition of an Event of Default under the 2006 Notes to exclude the redemption and repurchase of up to an additional \$12.5 million of the Company $\,$ s 5.25% Convertible Senior Notes due 2025 (the Second 2005 Note Repurchase) and modified certain anti-dilutive rights of the holders of the 2006 Notes upon the Company $\,$ s issuance and sale of certain new securities up to the aggregate dollar amount expended by the Company for the Second 2005 Note Repurchase.

Item 3.02. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities.

As described in Item 1.01 above, the Company issued the Shares to Tang Capital Partners, LP in exchange for the Bonds. The Shares are not registered under the Securities Act of 1933 (the Act). The Company issued the Shares in a transaction exempt from the registration requirements of the Act by virtue of the exemption provided for in Section 3(a)(9) of the Act for securities exchanged by the issuer with an existing security holder. No commission or other remuneration was paid or given directly or indirectly for soliciting such exchange. Please see the discussion under Item 1.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K for additional information regarding the transaction.

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SIGNATURE

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.

Antigenics Inc.

Dated: June 4, 2009 By: /s/ Shalini Sharp

Shalini Sharp

Chief Financial Officer