Protalix BioTherapeutics, Inc. Form 8-K March 11, 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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 11, 2009

Protalix BioTherapeutics, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Florida
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-27836 (Commission File Number) 65-0643773 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

2 Snunit Street Science Park POB 455

Carmiel, Israel 20100

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: +972-4-988-9488

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):

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events

On March 11, 2009, Protalix BioTherapeutics, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that that the Office of the Chief Scientist (OCS) of Israel s Ministry of Industry, Trade and Labor has awarded a grant of over \$6 million to the Company for calendar year 2009. The OCS awarded the grant to the Company to promote the advancement of the Company s clinical and preclinical drug development programs. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated March 11, 2009.

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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.

PROTALIX BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC.

Date: March 11, 2009 By: /s/ David Aviezer

Name: David Aviezer, Ph.D.

Title: President and Chief Executive

Officer

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