Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc. Form 8-K February 08, 2018

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): February 6, 2018

Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction **001-36548** (Commission

46-0920988 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

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611 Gateway Boulevard, Suite 900

South San Francisco, CA 94080 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (650) 278-8930

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 (see General Instructions A.2. below):

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)) 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).

Emerging growth company

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.

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

On February 6, 2018, the Compensation Committee (the *Committee*) of the Board of Directors of Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc. (the *Company*) approved 1) a target bonus percentage for 2018 for Isaac Ciechanover of 60% and 2) discretionary cash bonus payments to its principal executive officer and named executive officers in recognition of the Company s performance during 2017 as set forth in the table below:

Name	Title	Bonus
Isaac Ciechanover	Chief Executive Officer	\$ 262,912
Christopher Haqq	EVP, R&D and Chief Scientific Officer	\$ 149,539
Gad Soffer	EVP and Chief Strategy Officer	\$ 127,725

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc.

By: /s/ John McGrath John McGrath Chief Financial Officer

Date: February 8, 2018