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January 17, 2012

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

January 12, 2012

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

ELITE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

(Exact name of Company as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-15697 22-3542636 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

165 Ludlow Avenue, Northvale, New Jersey 07647

(Address of principal executive offices)

(201) 750-2646

(Company's telephone number, including area code)

(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 Company under any of the following provisions:

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Item 8.01 Other Events

On January 17, 2012, Elite Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release to announce that the initial shipment of methadone hydrochloride 10 mg tablets has been made to ThePharmaNetwork, LLC, and it wholly owned subsidiary, Ascend Laboratories, LLC (together "TPN") under the commercial Manufacturing and Supply Agreement. Elite will be compensated at an agreed upon price for the manufacturing and packaging of the products.

A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01

Financial Statements and Exhibits

- a) Not applicable.
- b) Not applicable.
- c) Not applicable.
- d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Exhibit

99.1 Press Release dated January 17, 2012

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.

Dated: January 17, 2012

ELITE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

By: /s/ Chris Dick

Name: Chris Dick

Title: President & Chief Operating Officer