



**Item 1.01. Entry in a Material Definitive Agreement**

On December 5, 2016, Pain Therapeutics, Inc. (the “Company”) sent a letter (the “Letter”) to Durect Corporation (“Durect”) pursuant to the Development and License Agreement, dated as of December 19, 2002, by and among the Company, Durect and Southern Biosystems, Inc., as amended (the “DLA”), that provided Durect with formal written notice that the Company is removing, effective as of December 5, 2016, the opioid drugs hydromorphone and oxymorphone (and only hydromorphone and oxymorphone) as licensed products under the DLA.

The Letter does not alter the terms of the DLA regarding the remaining licensed product, REMOXY® ER (oxycodone capsules CII), or otherwise amend the DLA. For avoidance of doubt, all terms and conditions of the DLA remain in full force and effect with respect to REMOXY.

**Item 8.01. Other Events**

The disclosure set forth above under Item 1.01 is hereby incorporated by reference to this Item 8.01.

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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.

Pain Therapeutics, Inc.

Dated: December 8, 2016

By:

/s/ Peter S. Roddy

Peter S. Roddy

*Vice President and Chief Financial Officer*

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