
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): June 25, 2018

HIGHPOWER INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

<u>Delaware</u> (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	<u>001-34098</u> (Commission File Number)	<u>20-4062622</u> (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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Building A1, Luoshan Industrial Zone, Shanxia, Pinghu, Longgang, Shenzhen, Guangdong, 518111, China
(Address, including zip code, of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (86) 755-89686238

(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 Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).

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 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On June 25, 2018, Highpower International, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release, a copy of which is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and the information therein is incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained in this Item 7.01 and Exhibit 99.1 included with this Current Report on Form 8-K, is being furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, nor shall such information be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, except as otherwise stated in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated June 25, 2018

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.

Dated: June 25, 2018

Highpower International, Inc.

/s/ Sunny Pan _____

By: Sunny Pan

Its: Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
<u>99.1</u>	<u>Press Release dated June 25, 2018</u>

Highpower International Announces Formation of Special Committee

SAN DIEGO and SHENZHEN, China, June 25, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- Highpower International, Inc. (NASDAQ: HPJ) ("Highpower" or the "Company"), a developer, manufacturer, and marketer of lithium ion and nickel-metal hydride (Ni-MH) rechargeable batteries, battery management systems, and a provider of battery recycling, today announced that its Board of Directors has formed a Special Committee comprised solely of independent directors (the "Special Committee") to consider the previously announced preliminary non-binding "going private" proposal (the "Proposal") from Mr. Dang Yu (George) Pan, the Company's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Pan has proposed to acquire all of the outstanding shares of common stock of the Company not currently owned by him at a cash purchase price of \$4.80 per share through a merger of the Company with a newly formed acquisition vehicle that Mr. Pan would control.

Ping (David) Li and T. Joseph Fisher, III will serve on the Special Committee and Mr. Li will serve as Chairman. The Special Committee has retained Roth Capital Partners as its independent financial advisor and Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP as its legal counsel to assist the Special Committee in its evaluation of the Proposal and any other alternative transaction. Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP serves as U.S. securities and corporate counsel to Highpower.

The Company cautions its stockholders and others considering trading in its securities that neither the Board nor the Special Committee has made any decision with respect to the Company's response to the Proposal. There can be no assurance that any definitive offer will be made, that any agreement will be executed or that this or any other transaction will be approved or consummated. The Company does not undertake any obligation to provide any updates with respect to this or any other transaction, except as required under applicable law.

About Highpower International, Inc.

Highpower International was founded in 2001 and produces high-quality Nickel-Metal Hydride (Ni-MH) and lithium-based rechargeable batteries used in a wide range of applications such as electric buses, bikes, energy storage systems, power tools, medical equipment, digital and electronic devices, personal care products, and lighting, etc. Highpower's target customers are Fortune 500 companies and top 20 companies in each vertical segment. With advanced manufacturing facilities located in Shenzhen, Huizhou, and Ganzhou of China, Highpower is committed to clean technology, not only in the products it makes, but also in the processes of production. The majority of Highpower International's products are distributed to worldwide markets mainly in the United States, Europe, China and Southeast Asia. Additional information about the Company can be found at <http://www.highpowertech.com> and in documents filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, which are available on the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>.

Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

All statements included in this press release, other than statements or characterizations of historical fact, are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based on our current expectations, estimates and projections about our industry, management's beliefs, and certain assumptions made by us, all of which are subject to change. Forward-looking statements can often be identified by words such as "anticipates," "expects," "intends," "plans," "predicts," "believes," "seeks," "estimates," "may," "will," "should," "would," "could," "potential," "continue," "ongoing," similar expressions, and variations or negatives of these words. These forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future results and are subject to risks, uncertainties and assumptions that could cause our actual results to differ materially and adversely from those expressed in any forward-looking statement.

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