
**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 Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **May 12, 2021**

Ocean Power Technologies, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-33417
(Commission
File Number)

22-2535818
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

28 Engelhard Drive, Suite B
Monroe Township, New Jersey
(Address of principal executive offices)

08831
(Zip Code)

(609) 730-0400
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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 240.14-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.133-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

| Title of each class | Trading Symbol (s) | Name of each exchange on which registered |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| Common Stock \$0.001 Par Value | OPTT | Nasdaq Capital Market |

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 8.01. Other Events.

On May 12th, 2021, Ocean Power Technologies, Inc. issued a press release that announced the receipt of \$1.0 million in non-dilutive funding through the New Jersey Economic Development Authority's Technology Business Tax Certificate Transfer Program. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

| Exhibit Number | Description |
|-----------------------|--|
| *99.1 | Press release dated May 12th, 2021 that announced the receipt of \$1.0 million in non-dilutive funding through the New Jersey Economic Development Authority's Technology Business Tax Certificate Transfer Program. |

*Furnished herewith.

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.

Date: May 12, 2021

OCEAN POWER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

/s/ George H. Kirby III

George H. Kirby III

President and Chief Executive Officer

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Ocean Power Technologies Receives \$1 Million of Non-Dilutive Funding Through NJEDA Technology Business Tax Certificate Transfer Program

MONROE TOWNSHIP, N.J., May 12, 2021 – Ocean Power Technologies, Inc. (“OPT” or “the Company”) (NASDAQ: OPTT), a leader in innovative and cost-effective ocean energy solutions, today announced that it has received \$1 million of non-dilutive funding through the New Jersey Economic Development Authority’s (NJEDA) Technology Business Tax Certificate Transfer Program.

Administered by the NJEDA and the New Jersey Department of the Treasury’s Division of Taxation, the Technology Business Tax Certificate Transfer Program enables companies to raise funding to finance their growth and operations. Under the program, New Jersey-based technology or biotechnology companies with fewer than 225 US employees may be eligible to sell net operating losses (NOLs) and research and development tax credits to unaffiliated corporations, up to a maximum lifetime benefit of \$20 million per business.

“The NJEDA’s Technology Business Tax Certificate Transfer Program continues to make a meaningful impact on our ongoing commercial and development efforts. OPT has partnered with PSEG (Public Service Enterprise Group) for nearly ten years through the NJEDA program to sell our NOLs and research and development tax credits,” said Matthew T. Shafer, Chief Financial Officer of OPT. “We appreciate the support PSEG and the State of New Jersey continue to show technology companies like OPT and the opportunity they provide to help us grow.”

About Ocean Power Technologies

Headquartered in Monroe Township, New Jersey, OPT aspires to transform the world through durable, innovative, and cost-effective ocean energy solutions. Its PowerBuoy® solutions platform provides clean and reliable electric power and real-time data communications for remote offshore and subsea applications in markets such as offshore oil and gas, defense and security, science and research, and communications. To learn more, visit www.oceanpowertech.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

This release may contain forward-looking statements that are within the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements are identified by certain words or phrases such as “may”, “will”, “aim”, “will likely result”, “believe”, “expect”, “will continue”, “anticipate”, “estimate”, “intend”, “plan”, “contemplate”, “seek to”, “future”, “objective”, “goal”, “project”, “should”, “will pursue” and similar expressions or variations of such expressions. These forward-looking statements reflect the Company’s current expectations about its future plans and performance. These forward-looking statements rely on a number of assumptions and estimates which could be inaccurate and which are subject to risks and uncertainties. Actual results could vary materially from those anticipated or expressed in any forward-looking statement made by the Company. Please refer to the Company’s most recent Forms 10-Q and 10-K and subsequent filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission for a further discussion of these risks and uncertainties. The Company disclaims any obligation or intent to update the forward-looking statements in order to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this release.

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