## 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): November 27, 2018

## TONIX PHARMACEUTICALS HOLDING CORP. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-36019 (Commission File Number) 26-1434750 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

509 Madison Avenue, Suite 306, New York, New York 10022 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 980-9155

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)

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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  $\Box$ 

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.  $\Box$ 

## Item 3.03 Material Modification to Rights of Security Holders.

The Board of Directors of Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp., a Nevada corporation (the "Company"), has approved a reverse stock split of the Company's issued and outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the "Common Stock"), at a ratio of 1-for-10 (the "Reverse Stock Split"). The Company anticipates that the Reverse Split will be effective at 12:01 a.m., Eastern Time, on November 28, 2018 (the "Effective Date").

## Reason for the Reverse Stock Split

The Company is effecting the Reverse Stock Split to satisfy the \$1.00 minimum bid price requirement, as set forth in Listing Rule 5450(a)(1) (the "Rule"), for continued listing on The NASDAQ Global Market. As previously disclosed, on October 22, 2018, the Company received a letter from the staff of the Listing Qualifications Department of NASDAQ indicating that for the last 30 consecutive business days, the closing bid price of the Company's Common Stock had been below \$1.00 per share, the minimum closing bid price required by the Rule.

In accordance with Listing Rule 5810(c)(3)(A), the Company has been granted 180 calendar days, or until April 22, 2019, to regain compliance with the Rule (the "Compliance Period"). To regain compliance, the closing bid price of the Company's Common Stock must be at least \$1.00 per share for a minimum of 10 consecutive business days during the Compliance Period.

### Effects of the Reverse Stock Split

*Effective Date; Symbol; CUSIP Number.* The Reverse Stock Split becomes effective with NASDAQ and the Common Stock will begin trading on a split-adjusted basis at the open of business on the Effective Date. In connection with the Reverse Stock Split, the CUSIP number for the Common Stock will change to 890260508.

Split Adjustment; Treatment of Fractional Shares. On the Effective Date, the total number of shares of Common Stock held by each stockholder of the Company will be converted automatically into the number of shares of Common Stock equal to: (i) the number of issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock held by each such stockholder immediately prior to the Reverse Stock Split divided by (ii) 10. Any fractional share of Common Stock that would otherwise result from the Reverse Stock Split will be rounded to a whole share and, as such, any stockholder who otherwise would have held a fractional share after giving effect to the Reverse Stock Split. As a result, no fractional shares will be issued in connection with the Reverse Stock Split and no cash or other consideration will be paid in connection with any fractional shares that would otherwise have resulted from the Reverse Stock Split. The Company intends to treat stockholders holding shares of Common Stock are registered in their names. Banks, brokers or other nominees will be instructed to effect the Reverse Stock Split for their beneficial holders holding shares of our Common Stock in "street name;" however, these banks, brokers or other nominees may apply their own specific procedures for processing the Reverse Stock Split.

Also on the Effective Date, all options, warrants and other convertible securities of the Company outstanding immediately prior to the Reverse Stock Split will be adjusted by dividing the number of shares of Common Stock into which the options, warrants and other convertible securities are exercisable or convertible by 10 and multiplying the exercise or conversion price thereof by 10, all in accordance with the terms of the plans, agreements or arrangements governing such options, warrants and other convertible securities and subject to rounding to the nearest whole share. Such proportional adjustments will also be made to the number of shares and restricted stock units issued and issuable under the Company's equity compensation plan.

*Certificated and Non-Certificated Shares.* Stockholders who hold their shares in electronic form at brokerage firms do not need to take any action, as the effect of the Reverse Stock Split will automatically be reflected in their brokerage accounts.

Stockholders holding paper certificates may (but are not required to) send the certificates to the Company's transfer agent and registrar, vStock Transfer, LLC ("vStock"), at the address set forth below. vStock will issue a new stock certificate reflecting the Reverse Stock Split to each requesting stockholder. VStock can be contacted at (212) 828-8436.

vStock Transfer, LLC 18 Lafayette Place Woodmere, NY 11598

*Certificate of Change*. The Company effected the Reverse Stock Split pursuant to the Company's filing of a Certificate of Change (the "Certificate") with the Nevada Secretary of State on November 26, 2018, in accordance with Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") 78.209. The Certificate will become effective at 12:01 a.m. on the Effective Date. A copy of the Certificate is attached hereto as Exhibit 3.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

*No Stockholder Approval Required.* The Reverse Stock Split was approved by the Board of Directors of the Company and given effect pursuant to and in accordance with NRS 78.207 and, as such, no stockholder approval of the Reverse Stock Split is required.

*Capitalization*. Prior to the Reverse Stock Split, the Company was authorized to issue 150,000,000 shares of Common Stock. As a result of the Reverse Stock Split, the Company will be authorized to issue 15,000,000 shares of Common Stock. As of November 26, 2018, there were 15,271,682 shares of Common Stock outstanding. As a result of the Reverse Stock Split, there will be approximately 1,527,169 shares of Common Stock outstanding (subject to adjustment due to the effect of rounding fractional shares into whole shares). The Reverse Stock Split will not have any effect on the stated par value of the Common Stock.

The Reverse Stock Split does not affect the Company's authorized preferred stock. There are no outstanding shares of the Company's preferred stock. After the Reverse Stock Split, the Company's authorized preferred Stock of 5,000,000 shares will remain unchanged.

Immediately after the Reverse Stock Split, each stockholder's relative ownership interest in the Company and proportional voting power will remain virtually unchanged except for minor changes and adjustments that will result from rounding fractional shares into whole shares.

# Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

The information set forth in Item 3.03 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 5.03. A copy of the Certificate is filed as Exhibit 3.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

## Item 8.01 Other Events.

On November 27, 2018, the Company issued a press release announcing the Reverse Stock Split. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d)	Exhibit No.	Description.
	<u>3.01</u>	Certificate of Change of Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp., dated November 26, 2018 and effective November 28,
	<u>99.01</u>	2018 Press Release dated November 27, 2018, issued by the Company

# SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirement 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.

# TONIX PHARMACEUTICALS HOLDING CORP.

Date: November 27, 2018

By:/s/ Bradley Saenger Bradley Saenger Chief Financial Officer

## STATE OF NEVADA

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The undersigned filing officer hereby certifies that the attached copies are true and exact copies of all requested statements and related subsequent documentation filed with the Secretary of State's Office, Commercial Recordings Division listed on the attached report.

Document Number(s) 20180505227-22 Description Stock Split

Certified By: Clair Fry Certificate Number: C20181126-0623 Respectfully,

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# Certificate of Change Pursuant to NRS 78.209

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Certificate of Change filed Pursuant to NRS 78.209 For Nevada Profit Corporations

1. Name of corporation:

Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.

The board of directors have adopted a resolution pursuant to NRS 78.209 and have obtained any required approval of the stockholders.

The current number of authorized shares and the par value, if any, of each class or series, if any, of shares before the change:

150,000,000 authorized shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share

5,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.001 per share

4. The number of authorized shares and the par value, if any, of each class or series, if any, of shares after the change:

15,000,000 authorized shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share 5,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.001 per share

5. The number of shares of each affected class or series, if any, to be issued after the change in exchange for each issued share of the same class or series:

One (1) share of common stock after the change will be issued in exchange for every ten (10) shares of common stock held by each record holder immediately prior to the effective date and time of the change.

6. The provisions, if any, for the issuance of fractional shares, or for the payment of money or the issuance of scrip to stockholders otherwise entitled to a fraction of a share and the percentage of outstanding shares affected thereby:

Any fractional share of common stock that would otherwise result from the change will be rounded up to the nearest whole share of common stock.

Date:

7. Effective date and time of filing: (optional)

11/28/18 Time: 12:01 am ET

(must not be later than 90 days after the certificate is filed)

8. Signature: (required)

Signature of Officer

Bradley Saenger, Chief Financial Officer Title

IMPORTANT: Failure to include any of the above information and submit with the proper fees may cause this filing to be rejected.

This form must be accompanied by appropriate fees.

Nevada Secretary of State Stock Split Revised: 1-5-15

### Tonix Pharmaceuticals Announces 1-for-10 Reverse Stock Split

NEW YORK, November 27, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) – Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp. (Nasdaq:TNXP) (Tonix), a clinicalstage biopharmaceutical company focused on developing pharmaceutical products to treat serious neuropsychiatric conditions and biological products to improve biodefense, announced today that it will effect a 1-for-10 reverse stock split of its outstanding common stock. This will be effective for trading purposes as of the commencement of trading on Wednesday, November 28, 2018.

The reverse stock split was previously approved by the Board of Directors of Tonix in accordance with Nevada law, under which no stockholder approval is required, and is intended to increase the per share trading price of Tonix's common stock to satisfy the \$1.00 minimum bid price requirement for continued listing on The NASDAQ Global Market (Rule 5450(a)(1)). Tonix's common stock will continue to trade on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol "TNXP" and under a new CUSIP number, 890260508. As a result of the reverse stock split, every ten pre-split shares of common stock outstanding will become one share of common stock. The reverse stock split will also proportionately reduce the number of shares of authorized common stock from 150 million to 15 million shares. The reverse split will also apply to common stock issuable upon the exercise of Tonix's outstanding warrants and stock options.

Tonix's transfer agent, vStock Transfer LLC, which is also acting as the exchange agent for the reverse split, will provide instructions to shareholders regarding the process for exchanging share certificates. Any fractional shares of common stock resulting from the reverse stock split will be rounded up to the nearest whole post-split share and no shareholders will receive cash in lieu of fractional shares.

### About Tonix Pharmaceuticals Holding Corp.

Tonix is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on discovering and developing pharmaceutical products to treat serious neuropsychiatric conditions and biological products to improve biodefense through potential medical counter-measures. Tonix is developing Tonmya®\*, which is in Phase 3 development and has been granted Breakthrough Therapy designation, as a bedtime treatment for PTSD. Tonix is also developing TNX-102 SL as a bedtime treatment for agitation in Alzheimer's disease under a separate IND to support a Phase 2, potential pivotal, efficacy study and has been designated a Fast Track development program by the FDA for this indication. TNX-601 (tianeptine oxalate) is in the pre-IND application stage, also for the treatment of PTSD but by a unique mechanism and designed for daytime dosing. Tonix's lead biologic candidate, TNX-801, is a potential smallpox-preventing vaccine based on a live synthetic version of horsepox virus, currently in the pre-IND application stage.

\*Tonmya has been conditionally accepted by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as the proposed trade name for TNX-102 SL (cyclobenzaprine HCl sublingual tablets) for the treatment of PTSD. TNX-102 SL is an investigational new drug and has not been approved for any indication.

This press release and further information about Tonix can be found at www.tonixpharma.com.

#### **Forward Looking Statements**

Certain statements in this press release are forward-looking within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements may be identified by the use of forward-looking words such as "anticipate," "believe," "forecast," "estimate," "expect," and "intend," among others. These forward-looking statements are based on Tonix's current expectations and actual results could differ materially. There are a number of factors that could cause actual events to differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements. These factors include, but are not limited to, risks related to failure to obtain FDA clearances or approvals and noncompliance with FDA regulations; our need for additional financing; uncertainties of patent protection and litigation; uncertainties of government or third party payor reimbursement; limited research and development efforts and dependence upon third parties; and substantial competition. As with any pharmaceutical under development, there are significant risks in the development, regulatory approval and commercialization of new products. Tonix does not undertake an obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statement. Investors should read the risk factors set forth in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on March 9, 2018, and periodic reports filed with the SEC on or after the date thereof. All of Tonix's forward-looking statements are expressly qualified by all such risk factors and other cautionary statements. The information set forth herein speaks only as of the date thereof.

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