RiceBran Technologies Form 8-K May 19, 2016

## 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): May 13, 2016

## RICEBRAN TECHNOLOGIES

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

California0-3256587-0673375(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

6720 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 39085253Scottsdale, AZ(Address of Principal Executive Offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (602) 522-3000

(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):

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- Item Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers;
- 5.02 Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

In March 2016, the compensation committee of the board of directors of RiceBran Technologies ("RBT") conducted its annual review of W. John Short, RBT's Chief Executive Officer, and determined that RBT would negotiate a new employment agreement with Mr. Short to replace his existing employment agreement. In connection with these ongoing negotiations, on May 13, 2016 the compensation committee notified Mr. Short that RBT would not renew his existing employment agreement. Mr. Short's existing employment agreement will expire on November 30, 2016.

#### 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.

### RICEBRAN TECHNOLOGIES

Date: May 19, 2016 By:/s/ J. Dale Belt J. Dale Belt Chief Financial Officer (Duly Authorized Officer)