

SYNERGETICS USA INC

Form S-3

August 05, 2011

AS FILED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION ON August 5, 2011

Registration Statement No. 333-\_\_\_\_\_

---

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-3

Registration Statement Under the  
Securities Act of 1933

---

SYNERGETICS USA, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation or organization)

20-5715943  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

3845 Corporate Centre Drive  
O'Fallon, Missouri 63368  
(636) 939-5100

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

---

David M. Hable  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Synergetics USA, Inc.  
3845 Corporate Centre Drive  
O'Fallon, Missouri 63368  
(636) 939-5100  
Fax: (636) 345-9118  
(Name and address of agent for service)

Copies to:  
David W. Braswell  
Armstrong Teasdale LLP  
7700 Forsyth Boulevard, Suite 1800  
St. Louis, Missouri 63105  
(314) 552-6631  
Fax (314) 612-2229

Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after this registration statement becomes effective.

If the only securities being registered on this form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. ☐

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest

reinvestment plans, please check the following box. ☒ x

If this form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. ☐ o

If this form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. ☐ o

If this Form is a registration statement pursuant to General Instruction I.D. or a post-effective amendment thereto that shall become effective upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 462(e) under the Securities Act, check the following box. ☐ o

If this Form is a post-effective amendment to a registration statement filed pursuant to General Instruction I.D. filed to register additional securities or additional classes of securities pursuant to Rule 413(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box. ☐ o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer ☐ o

Non-accelerated filer ☐ o

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Accelerated filer ☐ o

Smaller reporting company ☒ x

## CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered(1)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Amount of Registration Fee(2)
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share(3)	\$50,000,000	\$ 5,805.00
Debt Securities		
Warrants(4)		
Units(5)		

- (1) This registration statement covers an indeterminate number of common stock, debt securities (including senior debt securities and subordinated debt securities), warrants and units of Synergetics USA, Inc. as may from time to time be issued at indeterminate prices, in U.S. dollars or the equivalent thereof in any other currency, composite currency or currency unit, as shall result in an aggregate initial offering price for all securities in an amount not to exceed \$50,000,000. Any securities registered hereunder may be sold separately or as units with other securities registered hereunder. This registration statement also covers such additional number of securities that may become issuable as a result of any stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions relating to the securities registered hereunder.
- (2) The registration fee has been calculated in accordance with Rule 457(o) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). Rule 457(o) permits the registration fee to be calculated on the basis of the maximum offering price of all of the securities listed and, therefore, the table does not specify by each class information as to the amount to be registered, the proposed maximum offering price per unit or the proposed maximum aggregate offering price.
- (3) Shares of common stock may be issuable upon conversion of debt securities registered hereunder. No separate consideration will be received for such common stock.
- (4) Warrants represent rights to purchase common stock and/or debt securities registered hereby. Because the warrants will provide a right only to purchase such securities offered hereunder, no additional registration fee is required.
- (5) Units may consist of one or more shares of common stock, warrants, debt securities, or any combination of such securities, as may be sold from time to time at indeterminate prices by the registrant.

The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act or until this registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED AUGUST 5, 2011

The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

PROSPECTUS

\$50,000,000

Common Stock  
Debt Securities  
Warrants  
Units

---

We may offer, from time to time, in one or more series:

shares of our common stock;

senior and/or subordinated debt securities;

warrants to purchase common stock and/or debt securities; and

units consisting of two or more of these classes or series of securities.

We may sell any combination of these securities in one or more offerings, up to an aggregate offering price of \$50,000,000, on terms to be determined at the time of offering.

This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities that we may offer and sell from time to time. Each time we sell securities, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of the securities offered and may also add, update or change the information in this prospectus. You should read this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement carefully before you invest in our securities.

We may offer and sell these securities directly to you, through agents we select or through underwriters or dealers we select. If any agent, dealer or underwriter is involved in the sale of our securities, we will name them and describe their compensation in a prospectus supplement.

Our shares of common stock are quoted on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol "SURG." On August 4, 2011 the closing sale price of our common stock, as reported on the NASDAQ Capital Market, was \$5.23 per share. As of the date of this prospectus, none of the other securities that we may offer by this prospectus are listed on any national securities exchange or automated quotation system.

---

Investing in our securities involves risks. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 3 of this prospectus.

---

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities, or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

This prospectus may not be used to sell securities unless accompanied by the applicable prospectus supplement.

---

The date of this prospectus is \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

---

## ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

You should rely only on the information included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus or any supplement. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with information that is different from that contained herein. This prospectus is not an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy the securities in any circumstances in which the offer or solicitation is unlawful. You should not interpret the delivery of this prospectus as an indication that there has been no change in our affairs since the date of this prospectus. You should not assume that the information in this prospectus or any supplement is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front of this prospectus or any supplement. You should also be aware that information in this prospectus may change after this date.

## TABLE OF CONTENTS

<u>ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS</u>	1
<u>WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION</u>	1
<u>INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE</u>	2
<u>CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS</u>	2
<u>ABOUT SYNERGETICS USA, INC.</u>	3
<u>RISK FACTORS</u>	3
<u>USE OF PROCEEDS</u>	4
<u>DIVIDEND POLICY</u>	4
<u>RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES</u>	4
<u>DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK</u>	4
<u>DESCRIPTION OF THE DEBT SECURITIES</u>	7
<u>DESCRIPTION OF THE WARRANTS</u>	12
<u>DESCRIPTION OF UNITS</u>	14
<u>PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION</u>	14
<u>LEGAL MATTERS</u>	16
<u>EXPERTS</u>	16

---

Table Of Contents

ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement on Form S-3 that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, utilizing a shelf registration process. Under the shelf registration process, we may offer common stock, debt securities, warrants or units from time to time in one or more offerings up to a total public offering price of \$50,000,000.

This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities we may offer. If required, each time securities are offered under this prospectus, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of that offering and those securities. A prospectus supplement may include a discussion of risks or other special considerations applicable to us or the offered securities. A prospectus supplement may also add, update or change information in this prospectus. If there is any inconsistency between the information in this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement, you must rely on the information in the prospectus supplement. Please carefully read both this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement together with additional information described under the heading “Where You Can Find More Information.”

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-3 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, with respect to the securities offered by this prospectus. As permitted by the SEC’s rules, this prospectus does not contain all the information set forth in the registration statement and the exhibits and schedules thereto. For further information about us and the securities, we refer you to the registration statement and to the exhibits and schedules filed with it. Statements contained in this prospectus as to the contents of any contract or other documents referred to are not necessarily complete. We refer you to those copies of contracts or other documents that have been filed as exhibits to the registration statement, and statements relating to such documents are qualified in all aspects by such reference.

We file reports with the SEC on a regular basis that contain financial information and results of operations. You may read and copy any document that we file with the SEC at the SEC’s Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. The SEC also maintains a website site at <http://www.sec.gov> that contains reports, proxy statements, information statements and other information filed electronically with the SEC. You may also obtain information about us at our website at <http://www.synergeticsusa.com>. However, the information on our website does not constitute a part of this prospectus.

Table Of Contents

INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

To avoid repeating information in this prospectus that we have already filed with the SEC, we have incorporated by reference the filings (File No. 001-10382) listed below. This information is considered a part of this prospectus. These documents are as follows:

Our annual report on Form 10-K for our fiscal year ended July 31, 2010 (filed on October 12, 2010);

Our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q for our fiscal quarters ended October 31, 2010 (filed on December 14, 2010); January 31, 2011 (filed on March 9, 2011); and April 30, 2011 (filed on June 7, 2011);

Our current reports on Form 8-K filed on October 12, 2010 (with respect to Item 5.02 only); December 6, 2010; December 20, 2010; and March 8, 2011; and

The description of our common stock contained in the section entitled “Comparison of Rights of Holders and Corporate Governance Matters” in the prospectus included in our registration statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-125521) filed with the SEC on June 3, 2005, as amended from time to time, including any amendment or report filed that updates such description.

In addition, all documents that we file with the SEC pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or the Exchange Act, after the date of the initial registration statement of which this prospectus is a part and prior to the effectiveness of the registration statement as well as all such documents that we file with the SEC after the date of this prospectus and before the termination of the offering of our securities shall be deemed incorporated by reference into this prospectus and to be a part of this prospectus from the respective dates of filing such documents. Unless specifically stated to the contrary, none of the information that we disclose under Items 2.02 or 7.01 of any Current Report on Form 8-K that we may from time to time furnish to the SEC will be incorporated by reference into, or otherwise included in, this prospectus.

We will provide without charge to each person, including any beneficial owner, to whom a copy of this prospectus has been delivered, upon the written or oral request of such person, a copy of any or all of the documents which have been incorporated in this prospectus by reference. Requests for such copies should be directed to our Secretary at Synergetics USA, Inc., 3845 Corporate Centre Drive, O’Fallon, Missouri 63368, telephone number (636) 939-5100.

Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in this prospectus shall be deemed modified, superseded or replaced for purposes of this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained in this prospectus or in any subsequently-filed document that also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference in this prospectus modifies, supersedes or replaces such statement. Any statement so modified, superseded or replaced shall not be deemed, except as so modified, superseded or replaced, to constitute a part of this prospectus.

CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus, any prospectus supplement or term sheet, and the documents we have incorporated by reference into this prospectus may contain “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act, as amended. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond our control, that could cause actual results to differ materially from those set forth in, or implied by, our forward-looking statements. All statements other than statements of historical facts included in this prospectus and elsewhere regarding our business strategy, future operations, financial position, estimated revenues, projected costs, prospects, plans and objectives of management, as well as information concerning expected actions of third parties, are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are identifiable by

our use of such words as “anticipate,” “intend,” “estimate,” “expect,” “project” and similar expressions, although not forward-looking statements contain such identifying words. All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which we make them. We do not undertake any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, we can give no assurance that such expectations will prove to be correct. Important factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from our expectations, or “cautionary statements,” are disclosed in this prospectus, any prospectus supplement or term sheet and the documents incorporated by reference, including the “Risk Factors” section included in our filings with the SEC. The cautionary statements qualify all forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf.

Table Of Contents

ABOUT SYNERGETICS USA, INC.

Synergetics USA, Inc., or the Company, is a leading supplier of precision microsurgical devices. Our primary focus is on the microsurgical disciplines of ophthalmology and neurosurgery. Our distribution channels include a combination of direct and independent sales organizations and important strategic alliances with market leaders. Our product lines focus upon precision engineered, microsurgical devices and the delivery of various energy modalities for the performance of minimally invasive microsurgery, including: (i) laser energy, (ii) ultrasonic energy, (iii) radio frequency energy for electrosurgery and lesion generation and (iv) visible light energy for illumination, and where applicable, simultaneous infusion (irrigation) of fluids into the operative field.

The Company is a Delaware corporation incorporated on June 2, 2005, as a result of the reverse merger of Synergetics, Inc., or Synergetics, and Valley Forge Scientific Corp., or Valley Forge. Synergetics was founded in 1991. Valley Forge was incorporated in 1980 and became a publicly-held company in November 1989. Prior to the reverse merger of Synergetics and Valley Forge, Valley Forge's common stock was listed on The NASDAQ Small Cap Market (now known as The NASDAQ Capital Market) and the Boston Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "VLFG." On September 21, 2005, Synergetics Acquisition Corporation, a wholly owned Missouri subsidiary of Valley Forge, merged with and into Synergetics, and Synergetics thereby became a wholly owned subsidiary of Valley Forge. On September 22, 2005, Valley Forge reincorporated from a Pennsylvania corporation to a Delaware corporation and changed its name to Synergetics USA, Inc. Upon consummation of the merger, the Company's securities began trading on The NASDAQ Capital Market under the ticker symbol "SURG," and its shares were voluntarily delisted from the Boston Stock Exchange.

Our principal corporate office is located at 3845 Corporate Centre Drive, O'Fallon, Missouri 63368, and our main telephone number at that location is (636) 939-5100. We maintain a website at [www.synergerticsusa.com](http://www.synergerticsusa.com). None of the information contained on our website or on websites linked to our website is part of this prospectus.

RISK FACTORS

Investing in our securities involves a high degree of risk. Before making an investment decision, you should carefully consider any risk factors set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement and the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement, as well as other information we include or incorporate by reference into this prospectus and in the applicable prospectus supplement.

Table Of Contents

## USE OF PROCEEDS

We will retain broad discretion over the use of the net proceeds to us from any sale of our securities under this prospectus. We intend to use the net proceeds from the sale of the securities for general corporate purposes, including, but not limited, working capital, capital expenditures and acquisitions. Pending application of the net proceeds, we may initially invest the net proceeds in short-term investment grade securities.

## DIVIDEND POLICY

The Company has not paid a dividend to holders of its common stock since 1996. We currently intend to retain earnings to finance growth and development of our business and do not anticipate paying cash dividends in the near future. Any indentures for debt securities issued in the future and any credit agreements entered into in the future may also restrict or prohibit the payment of cash dividends on our common stock.

## RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following table sets forth our unaudited historical ratio of earnings to fixed charges for the periods indicated. We have computed the ratio of earnings to fixed charges by dividing earnings by fixed charges. For the purpose of calculating the ratio of earnings to fixed charges, “earnings” represent income (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes plus fixed charges. “Fixed charges” consist of interest expense, amortization of debt issuance costs and estimated interest within rental expense.

	Fiscal Year Ended July 31,					Nine Months Ended April 30, 2011
	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	18.04	3.98	4.53	1.58	8.69	26.58

## DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

This prospectus describes the general terms of our common stock. For a more detailed description of our common stock, you should read the applicable provisions of Delaware law and our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Amended and Restated Bylaws. If we offer shares of common stock, the prospectus supplement will set forth the number of shares offered, the public offering price, information regarding our dividend history and common stock prices as reflected on the NASDAQ Capital Market or other exchange that the common stock is then listed, including a recent reported last sale price of the common stock. To the extent the information contained in the prospectus supplement differs from this summary description, you should rely on the information in the prospectus supplement.

The shares of common stock offered by this prospectus will, when issued, be validly issued and fully paid and non-assessable, not subject to redemption and without preemptive or other rights to subscribe for or purchase any proportionate part of any new or additional issues of stock of any class or of securities convertible into stock of any class.



## Table Of Contents

Our authorized common stock currently consists of 50,000,000 shares, \$.001 par value per share. As of August 1, 2011, there were 24,947,083 shares of common stock outstanding.

### Voting, Dividend Rights and Other Provisions

Each holder of shares of common stock will be entitled to one vote for each such share outstanding in the holder's name. No holder of common stock will be entitled to cumulate votes in voting for directors.

Holders of common stock are entitled to such dividends as may be declared by our board of directors out of funds legally available therefor. Our existing credit facilities restrict the payment of cash dividends on our common stock under certain circumstances. Any indentures for debt securities issued in the future and any credit agreements entered into in the future may also restrict or prohibit the payment of cash dividends on our common stock.

In the event of our liquidation, dissolution or winding up, the holders of common stock will be entitled to share pro rata in the assets remaining after payment to creditors.

### Anti-Takeover Provisions

We are governed by the Delaware General Corporation Law, or DGCL. Our certificate of incorporation and bylaws contain provisions that could make more difficult the acquisition of the company by means of a tender offer, a proxy contest or otherwise.

### Classified Board

Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation provides that our directors shall be divided into three classes of directors. Each of the Classes A, B and C consist of three directors. One class of directors is to be elected each year with a term extending to the third succeeding annual meeting after election. The classification of the board has the effect of requiring at least two annual stockholders meetings, instead of one, to replace a majority of the members of the board of directors.

### Supermajority Vote

Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Amended and Restated Bylaws provide that the affirmative vote of at least 66 2/3% in voting power of the outstanding shares of our capital stock entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, voting together as a single class is required: (i) to remove any director from office at any time; (ii) in order for our stockholders to amend, alter or repeal our Amended and Restated Bylaws; and (iii) to amend or repeal certain provisions of our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, including those related to directors and removing directors.

### Advance Notice Procedures

Our Amended and Restated Bylaws establish an advance notice procedure for stockholders to make nominations of candidates for election as directors at an annual or special meeting of the stockholders or bring other business before an annual meeting of the stockholders. This notice procedure provides that, in order to nominate candidates for election as directors or raise other matters at an annual meeting, the nominations must be made or the matters must be raised in the Company's notice of meeting, or by or at the direction of our board of directors, or by a stockholder who (i) is a stockholder of record at the time of giving notice as required by the bylaws, (ii) is entitled to vote at the meeting, and (iii) complies with the notice provisions of the Amended and Restated Bylaws. If it is determined that a person was not nominated or other business was not brought before the annual meeting in accordance with the notice

procedure, that person will not be eligible for election as a director or that business will not be conducted at the meeting.

## Table Of Contents

### Special Meetings of Stockholders

Under our Amended and Restated Bylaws, stockholders may only call a special meeting of the stockholders with an affirmative vote of 66 2/3% of the then issued and outstanding capital stock entitled to vote in the election of directors. The only business to be conducted at a special meeting of the stockholders will be the business brought before the meeting pursuant to the Company's notice of meeting.

### Authorized but Unissued Shares

Our authorized but unissued shares of common stock are available for future issuance without stockholder approval, subject to any limitations imposed by the listing standards of the NASDAQ Capital Market. We may use these additional shares for a variety of corporate purposes, including future public offerings to raise additional capital, corporate acquisitions and employee benefit plans. The existence of authorized but unissued shares of common stock could render more difficult or discourage an attempt to obtain control of us by means of a proxy contest, tender offer, merger or otherwise.

### Action by Written Consent

Our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation does not permit stockholder action by written consent.

The overall effect of the foregoing provisions may be to deter a future tender offer. Stockholders might view such an offer to be in their best interest should the offer include a substantial premium over the market price of our common stock at that time. In addition, these provisions may have the effect of assisting our management to retain its position and place it in a better position to resist changes that the stockholders may want to make if dissatisfied with the conduct of our business.

### The Delaware General Corporation Law

We are subject to Section 203 of the DGCL, which regulates corporate acquisitions. In general, Section 203 prohibits a publicly-held Delaware corporation from engaging in a business combination with an interested stockholder for a period of three years following the date the person became an interested stockholder, unless:

- the board of directors approved the transaction in which the stockholder became an interested stockholder prior to the date the interested stockholder attained such status;

- upon consummation of the transaction that resulted in the stockholder becoming an interested stockholder, the interested stockholders owned at least 85% of the voting stock of the corporation outstanding at the time the transaction commenced, excluding shares owned by persons who are directors and also officers and employee stock plans in which employee participants do not have the right to determine confidentially whether shares held subject to the plan will be tendered in a tender or exchange offer; or

- the business combination is approved by a majority of the board of directors and by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the outstanding voting stock that is not owned by the interested stockholder.

Table Of Contents

Transfer Agent and Registrar

The Transfer Agent and Registrar for our common stock is American Stock Transfer & Trust Company.

Listing

Our shares of common stock are quoted on the NASDAQ Capital Market under the symbol "SURG."

DESCRIPTION OF THE DEBT SECURITIES

We may offer debt securities under this prospectus, any of which may be issued as convertible or exchangeable debt securities. The following description of the terms of the debt securities sets forth certain general terms and provisions of the debt securities to which any prospectus supplement or term sheet may relate. We will set forth the particular terms of the debt securities we offer in a prospectus supplement or term sheet. The extent, if any, to which the following general provisions apply to particular debt securities will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement or term sheet. The following description of general terms relating to the debt securities and the indenture under which the debt securities will be issued are summaries only and therefore are not complete. You should read the indenture and the prospectus supplement or term sheet regarding any particular issuance of debt securities. If there are differences between the applicable prospectus supplement or term sheet and this prospectus, the prospectus supplement or term sheet will control.

The debt securities will represent our unsecured general obligations, unless otherwise provided in the prospectus supplement or term sheet.

The debt securities will be issued under an indenture that will be entered into with the trustee. The indenture will be subject to, and governed by, the Trust Indenture Act of 1939.

Except to the extent described in a prospectus supplement or term sheet, the indenture will not contain any covenants or restrictions that afford holders of the debt securities special protection in the event of a change of control or highly leveraged transaction.

General

The indenture will not limit the aggregate principal amount of debt securities which may be issued under it and provides that debt securities may be issued in one or more series, in such form or forms, with such terms and up to the aggregate principal amount that we may authorize from time to time. The particular terms of the debt securities offered pursuant to any prospectus supplement or term sheet will be described in the prospectus supplement or term sheet.

Unless otherwise provided in the prospectus supplement or term sheet, debt securities may be presented for registration of transfer and exchange and for payment or, if applicable, for conversion or exchange at the office of the trustee.

The applicable prospectus supplement or term sheet will describe the following terms of any debt securities in respect of which this prospectus is being delivered (to the extent applicable to the debt securities):

Table Of Contents

the title and designation of the debt securities of the series, and whether the debt securities are senior debt securities, senior subordinated debt securities or subordinated debt securities and, if senior subordinated or subordinated debt securities, the specific subordination provisions applicable thereto;

the total principal amount of the debt securities of the series and any limit on the total principal amount;

the price at which we will issue the debt securities of the series;

the terms, if any, by which holders may convert the debt securities of the series into or for our common stock or other of our securities or property;

if the debt securities of the series are convertible, any limitations on the ownership or transferability of the securities or property into which holders may convert the debt securities;

the date or dates, or the method for determining the date or dates, on which we will be obligated to pay the principal of the debt securities of the series and the amount of principal we will be obligated to pay;

the rate or rates, which may be fixed or variable, at which the debt securities of the series will bear interest, if any, or the method by which the rate or rates will be determined;

the date or dates, or the method for determining the date or dates, from which any interest will accrue on the debt securities of the series, the dates on which we will be obligated to pay any such interest, the regular record dates, if any, for the determination of the persons to whom we will be obligated to pay such interest;

the place or places where the principal of, and any premium, interest or other amounts payable (if any) on, the debt securities of the series will be payable or where the holders of the debt securities may surrender debt securities for conversion or transfer;

any provisions relating to the issuance of the debt securities at an original issue discount;

the period or periods during which, the price or prices (including any premium or other amount) at which, the currency or currencies in which, and the other terms and conditions upon which, we may redeem the debt securities of the series, at our option, if we have such an option;

our obligations (if any) to redeem, repay or purchase debt securities pursuant to any sinking fund or analogous provision or at the option of a holder of debt securities, and the price or prices at which, the period or periods within which and the terms and conditions upon which we will redeem, repay or purchase all or a portion of the debt securities of the series pursuant to that obligation;

the denominations in which the debt securities shall be issuable;

any events of default in lieu of or in addition to those described in this prospectus and remedies relating to such events of default;

if other than the trustee, the identity of each security registrar, transfer agent, paying agent or other agent for debt securities of the series;



Table Of Contents

the currency or currencies in which we will sell the debt securities and in which principal of, and any premium, or interest or other amounts payable (if any) on, the debt securities of the series will be denominated and payable;

whether the amount of payment of principal of, and any premium, or interest or other amounts payable (if any) on, the debt securities of the series may be determined with reference to an index, formula or other method and the manner in which the amounts will be determined;

whether and under what circumstances we will pay any additional amounts on the debt securities to any holder who is not a U.S. person in respect of any tax, assessment or governmental charge withheld or deducted and, if we will pay additional amounts, whether we will have the option, and on what terms to redeem the debt securities instead of paying the additional amounts;

if receipt of certain certificates or other documents or satisfaction of other conditions will be necessary for any purpose, including, without limitation, as a condition to the issuance of the debt securities in definitive form (whether upon original issue or upon exchange of a temporary debt security), the form and terms of such certificates, documents or conditions;

any other affirmative or negative covenant included for the benefit of the debt securities of the series;

whether the debt securities will be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more global securities and, in such case, the depositary for such a global security and the circumstances under which any global security may be exchanged for debt securities registered in the name of, and under which any transfer of such global security may be registered in the name of, any person other than the depositary;

whether the debt securities are defeasible;

if other than the principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount of the debt securities of the series which shall be payable upon declaration of acceleration of the maturity thereof pursuant to an event of default or provable in bankruptcy, or, if applicable, which is convertible;

any proposed listing of the debt securities of the series on any securities exchange; and

- any other specific terms of the debt securities.

Unless otherwise indicated in the prospectus supplement or term sheet relating to the debt securities, principal of and any premium or interest on the debt securities will be payable, and the debt securities will be exchangeable and transfers thereof will be registrable, at the office of the trustee at its principal office. However, at our option, payment of interest may be made by check mailed to the address of the person entitled thereto as it appears in the debt security register. Any payment of principal and any premium or interest required to be made on an interest payment date, redemption date or at maturity which is not a business day need not be made on such date, but may be made on the next succeeding business day with the same force and effect as if made on the applicable date, and no interest shall accrue for the period from and after such date.

## Table Of Contents

Unless otherwise indicated in the prospectus supplement or term sheet relating to debt securities, the debt securities will be issued only in fully registered form, without coupons, in denominations of \$1,000 or any integral multiple thereof. No service charge will be made for any transfer or exchange of the debt securities, but we may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection with a transfer or exchange.

Debt securities may be issued under the indenture for federal income tax purposes as Original Issue Discount Securities (as defined below). Federal income tax consequences and other special considerations applicable to any such Original Issue Discount Securities (or other debt securities treated as issued at an original issue discount) will be described in the prospectus supplement relating to such securities. “Original Issue Discount Security” generally means any debt security that is issued at a price lower than its principal amount (subject to a de minimus exception).

### Global Securities

The debt securities of a series may be issued in the form of one or more global securities that will be deposited with a depositary or its nominees identified in the prospectus supplement or term sheet relating to the debt securities. In such a case, one or more global securities will be issued in a denomination or aggregate denominations equal to the portion of the aggregate principal amount of outstanding debt securities of the series to be represented by such global security or securities.

No global security may be transferred except as a whole by a nominee of the depositary for such global security to the depositary or a nominee of the depositary and except in the circumstances described in the prospectus supplement or term sheet relating to the debt securities. The specific terms of the depositary arrangement with respect to a series of debt securities will be described in the prospectus supplement or term sheet relating to such series.

### Consolidation, Merger, Sale or Conveyance

The indenture provides that we may consolidate with, or sell, convey or lease all or substantially all of our assets to, or merge with or into, any other corporation, if:

either we are the continuing corporation, or the successor corporation expressly assumes the due and punctual payment of the principal of and interest on all the debt securities outstanding under the indenture according to their tenor and the due and punctual performance and observance of all of the covenants and conditions of the indenture to be performed or observed by us;

immediately after the merger or consolidation, or the sale, conveyance or lease, no event of default, and no event which, after notice or lapse of time or both, would become an event of default, shall have occurred and be continuing; and

in the event our assets would become subject to a mortgage, pledge, lien, security interest or other encumbrance that is prohibited by the indenture, we or the successor corporation take the necessary steps to secure the debt securities equally and ratably with (or prior to) all indebtedness secured thereby.

### Modification of the Indenture

We and the trustee may modify the indenture with respect to the debt securities of any series, with or without the consent of the holders of debt securities, under certain circumstances to be described in a prospectus supplement or term sheet.



## Table Of Contents

### Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture

We may terminate our obligations under the debt securities of any series, except for certain limited surviving obligations, if either all of the debt securities of such series have been delivered to the trustee for cancellation or the debt securities of such series mature within one year or may be called for redemption within one year and, among other things, we deposit with the trustee cash or appropriate government obligations sufficient for the payment of principal and interest on the debt securities of such series to maturity.

### Defaults and Notice

The debt securities will contain events of default to be specified in the applicable prospectus supplement or term sheet, including, without limitation:

failure to pay the principal of, or premium, if any, on any debt security of such series when due and payable (whether at maturity, by call for redemption, through any mandatory sinking fund, by redemption at the option of the holder, by declaration or acceleration or otherwise);

failure to make a payment of any interest on any debt security of such series when due and payable, which failure shall have continued for a period of 30 days;

default in the performance, or breach, of certain covenants and warranties under the indenture, which default shall have continued for a period of 90 days after notice of such default; and

certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of us.

If an event of default with respect to debt securities of any series shall occur and be continuing, the trustee or the holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding debt securities of such series may declare the principal amount (or, if the debt securities of such series are issued at an original issue discount, such portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of the debt securities of such series) of all debt securities of such series or such other amount or amounts as the debt securities or supplemental indenture with respect to such series may provide, to be due and payable immediately.

The indenture will provide that, at any time after a declaration of acceleration with respect to the debt securities of any series as described in the preceding paragraph, and before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained by the trustee, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding debt securities of such series may rescind and cancel such declaration and its consequences if: (i) we have paid to the trustee a sum sufficient to pay (1) all overdue interest of all debt securities of such series, (2) the principal and premium, if any, on the debt securities of such series that have become due otherwise than by such declaration of acceleration and any interest thereon, (3) if payment of such interest is lawful, interest upon overdue interest, and (4) all reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances incurred by the trustee; and (ii) all existing events of default with respect to the debt securities of such series have been cured or waived as provided in the indenture.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent default or event of default or impair any right consequent thereto.

The indenture provides that the trustee will give to holders of debt securities of any series notice of all uncured defaults with respect to such series known to it as and to the extent provided by the Trust Indenture Act of 1939. However, in the case of a default that results from a breach of certain covenants and warranties, as provided by the indenture, no such notice to holders shall be given until at least 30 days after the occurrence of the default.



## Table Of Contents

The indenture contains a provision entitling the trustee to be offered reasonable indemnity by holders of debt securities before proceeding to exercise any trust or power under the indenture at the request of such holders. The indenture provides that the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the then outstanding debt securities of any series may request the trustee to make an investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, notice, opinion, order, bond, note or other documents. The indenture states that the trustee shall not be personally liable for any action taken, suffered or omitted by it in good faith and believed by it to be authorized or within the discretion or rights afforded to it under the terms of the indenture.

The right of a holder to institute a proceeding with respect to the indenture is subject to certain conditions including, that the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the debt securities of such series then outstanding make a written request upon the trustee to exercise its power under the indenture, offered reasonable indemnity to the trustee and afford the trustee reasonable opportunity to act. Even so, the holder has an absolute right to receipt of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest when due, to require conversion of debt securities if the indenture provides for convertibility at the option of the holder and to institute suit for the enforcement of such rights.

### Concerning the Trustee

The prospectus supplement or term sheet with respect to particular debt securities will identify the trustee and describe any relationship that we may have with the trustee for such debt securities.

### Reports to Holders of Debt Securities

We intend to furnish to holders of debt securities all quarterly and annual reports that we furnish to holders of our common stock, and file such additional information, documents and reports as may be required by the rules and regulations prescribed from time to time by the SEC.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE WARRANTS

We may issue warrants to purchase debt securities (“debt warrants”) or common stock (“common stock warrants,” and together with the debt warrants, “warrants”). We may issue warrants independently or together with any other securities we offer pursuant to a prospectus supplement and the warrants may be attached or separate from the securities. We will issue each series of warrants under a separate warrant agreement that we will enter into with a bank or trust company, as warrant agent.

### Debt Warrants

We will describe in the applicable prospectus supplement the terms of the debt warrants being offered, the warrant agreement relating to the debt warrants and the debt warrant certificates representing the debt warrants, including the following:

the title of the debt warrants;

the aggregate number of the debt warrants;

the price or prices at which the debt warrants will be issued;

Table Of Contents

the designation, aggregate principal amount and terms of the debt securities purchasable upon exercise of the debt warrants, and the procedures and conditions relating to the exercise of the debt warrants;

the designation and terms of any related debt securities with which the debt warrants are issued, and the number of the debt warrants issued with each security;

the date, if any, on and after which the debt warrants and the related debt securities will be separately transferable;

the principal amount of debt securities purchasable upon exercise of each debt warrant, and the price at which the principal amount of the debt securities may be purchased upon exercise;

the date on which the right to exercise the debt warrants will commence, and the date on which the right will expire;

the maximum or minimum number of the debt warrants which may be exercised at any time;

- a discussion of the material U.S. federal income tax considerations applicable to the exercise of the debt warrants; and

any other terms of the debt warrants and terms, procedures and limitations relating to the exercise of the debt warrants.

Holders may exchange debt warrant certificates for new debt warrant certificates of different denominations, and may exercise debt warrants at the corporate trust office of the warrant agent or any other office indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement. Prior to the exercise of their debt warrants, holders of debt warrants will not have any of the rights of holders of the securities purchasable upon the exercise and will not be entitled to payments principal, premium or interest on the securities purchasable upon the exercise.

Common Stock Warrants

We will describe in the applicable prospectus supplement the terms of the common stock warrants being offered, including the following:

the title of the warrants;

the price or prices at which the warrants will be issued;

the number of the warrants issued with each share of common stock;

any provisions for adjustment of the number or amount of shares of common stock receivable upon exercise of the warrants or the exercise price of the warrants;

if applicable, the date on and after which the warrants and the related common stock shares will be separately transferrable;

if applicable, a discussion of the material U.S. federal income tax considerations applicable to the exercise of the warrants;



## Table Of Contents

any other terms of the warrants, including terms, procedures and limitations relating to the exchange and exercise of the warrants;

the date on which the right to exercise the warrants will commence, and the date on which the right will expire; and

the maximum or minimum number of the warrants which may be exercised at any time.

### Exercise of Warrants

Each warrant will entitle the holder of the warrant to purchase for cash at the exercise price set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement the principal amount of debt securities or shares of common stock being offered. Holders may exercise warrants at any time up to the close of business on the expiration date set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement. After the close of business on the expiration date, unexercised warrants are void.

Holders may exercise warrants as set forth in the prospectus supplement relating to the warrants being offered. Upon receipt of payment and the warrant certificate properly completed and duly executed at the corporate trust office of the warrant agent or any other office indicated in the prospectus supplement, we will, as soon as practicable, forward the debt securities or shares of common stock purchasable upon the exercise. If less than all of the warrants represented by the warrant certificate are exercised, we will issue a new warrant certificate for the remaining warrants.

### DESCRIPTION OF UNITS

We may issue securities in units, each consisting of two or more types of securities. If we issue units, the prospectus supplement relating to the units will contain the information described above with regard to each of the securities that is a component of the units. In addition, each prospectus supplement relating to units will:

state how long, if at all, the securities that are components of the units must be traded in units, and when they can be traded separately;

state whether we will apply to have the units traded on a securities exchange or securities quotation system; and

describe how, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, the purchase price paid for the units is to be allocated among the component securities.

### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We may sell the securities described in this prospectus on a delayed basis from time to time in one or more transactions:

to purchasers directly;

for acquisition purposes;

to underwriters for public offering and sale by them;

Table Of Contents

through agents;

through dealers; or

through a combination of any of the foregoing methods of sale.

We may distribute the securities from time to time in one or more transactions at

a fixed price or prices, which may be changed;

market prices prevailing at the time of sale;

prices related to such prevailing market prices; or

negotiated prices.

Direct Sales

We may sell the securities directly to institutional investors or others who may be deemed to be underwriters within the meaning of the Securities Act, with respect to any resale of the securities. A prospectus supplement will describe the terms of any sale of securities we are offering hereunder.

To Underwriters

The applicable prospectus supplement will name any underwriter involved in a sale of securities. Underwriters may offer and sell securities at a fixed price or prices, which may be changed, or from time to time at market prices or at negotiated prices. Underwriters may be deemed to have received compensation from us from sales of securities in the form of underwriting discounts or commissions and may also receive commissions from purchasers of securities for whom they may act as agent. Underwriters may be involved in any of the market offering of equity securities by or on our behalf.

Underwriters may sell securities to or through dealers, and such dealers may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the underwriters and/or commissions (which may be changed from time to time) from the purchasers for whom they may act as agent.

Unless otherwise provided in a prospectus supplement, the obligations of any underwriters to purchase securities will be subject to certain conditions precedent, and the underwriters will be obligated to purchase all the securities if any are purchased.

Through Agents and Dealers

We will name any agent involved in a sale of securities, as well as any commissions payable by us to such agent, in a prospectus supplement. Unless we indicate differently in the prospectus supplement, any such agent will be acting on a reasonable efforts basis for the period of its apportionment.

If we utilize a dealer in the sale of the securities being offered pursuant to this prospectus, we will sell the securities to the dealer, as principal. The dealer may then resell the securities to the public at varying prices to be determined by the dealer at the time of resale.



## Table Of Contents

### Delayed Delivery Contracts

If we so specify in the applicable prospectus supplement, we will authorize underwriters, dealers and agents to solicit offers by certain institutions to purchase the securities pursuant to contracts providing for payment and delivery on future dates. Such contracts will be subject to only those conditions set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement.

The underwriters, dealers and agents will not be responsible for the validity or performance of the contracts. We will set forth in the prospectus supplement relating to the contracts the price to be paid for the securities, the commissions payable for solicitation of the contracts and the date in the future for delivery of the securities.

### General Information

Underwriters, dealers and agents participating in a sale of the securities may be deemed to be underwriters as defined in the Securities Act, and any discounts and commissions received by them, and any profit realized by them on resale of the securities, may be deemed to be underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act. We may have agreements with underwriters, dealers and agents to indemnify them against certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, and to reimburse them for certain expenses.

Shares of our common stock are quoted on the NASDAQ Capital Market. Unless otherwise specified in the related prospectus supplement, all securities we offer, other than common stock, will be new issues of securities with no established trading market. Any underwriter may make a market in these securities, but will not be obligated to do so and may discontinue any market making at any time without notice. We may apply to list any series of debt securities, preferred stock or warrants on an exchange, but we are not obligated to do so. Therefore, there may not be liquidity or a trading market for any series of securities.

Underwriters, dealers or agents who may become involved in the sale of our securities may be customers of, engage in transactions with and perform other services for us in the ordinary course of their business for which they receive compensation.

## LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters in connection with the securities will be passed upon for us by Armstrong Teasdale LLP.

## EXPERTS

The consolidated balance sheets of Synergetics USA, Inc. and subsidiaries as of July 31, 2010 and July 31, 2009, the related consolidated statements of income, stockholders' equity and cash flows for each of the years in the three-year period ended July 31, 2010 have been incorporated by reference herein in reliance upon the report of UHY LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, dated October 12, 2010, which report appears in our annual report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2010 which is incorporated by reference herein, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

Table Of Contents

## PART II

## INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

## Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution.

The following table sets forth estimated expenses in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities being registered, other than underwriting discounts and commissions, if any, all of which will be paid by the registrant:

SEC registration fee	\$5,805.00
Printing expenses	(1 )
Legal fees and expenses	(1 )
Accounting fees and expenses	(1 )
Trustee fees and expenses	(1 )
Transfer agent fees and expenses	(1 )
EDGAR formatting expenses	(1 )
Miscellaneous expenses	(1 )
Total expenses	\$5,805.00

(1) An estimate of the aggregate expenses in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities in this offering cannot be estimated at this time.

## Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

As authorized by Section 102(b)(7) of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the “DGCL”), the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Synergetics USA, Inc. (the “Company”) provides that a director of the Company will not be liable to the Company or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director to the extent allowed under the DGCL. Section 102 of the DGCL does not allow a corporation to eliminate the personal liability of its directors to the corporation or to any of its stockholders for monetary damage for a breach of his/her fiduciary duty as a director in cases where the director breached his/her duty of loyalty, failed to act in good faith, engaged in intentional misconduct or knowingly violated a law, authorized the payment of a dividend or approved a stock repurchase in violation of Delaware corporate law or obtained an improper personal benefit.

While the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation provides directors with protection from awards for monetary damages for breaches of their duty of care, it does not eliminate such duty. Accordingly, the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation will have no effect on the availability of equitable remedies, such as an injunction or rescission based on a director’s breach of such director’s duty of care.

The Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation provides that the Company shall indemnify its directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL. The DGCL gives Delaware corporations broad powers to indemnify their present and former directors and officers and those of affiliated corporations against expenses incurred in the defense of any lawsuit to which they are made parties by reason of being or having been such directors or officers, subject to specified conditions and exclusions; gives a director or officer who successfully defends an action the right to be so indemnified; and authorizes a corporation to buy directors’ and officers’ liability insurance. Such indemnification is not exclusive of any other right to which those indemnified may be entitled under any bylaw, agreement, vote of stockholders or otherwise.



Table Of Contents

The Amended and Restated Bylaws provide that the Company shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the Company) by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director or officer of the Company, or is or was a director or officer of the Company serving at the request of the Company as a director or officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if such person acted in good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, such person had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not, of itself, create a presumption that such person did not act in good faith and in a manner which such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was unlawful.

Furthermore, the Amended and Restated Bylaws provide that the Company shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the Company to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director or officer of the Company, or is or was a director or officer of the Company serving at the request of the Company as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit if such person acted in good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company; except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the Company unless and only to the extent that the Court of Chancery or the court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the Court of Chancery or such other court shall deem proper.

Pursuant to the Amended and Restated Bylaws, any indemnification under the provisions of the Amended and Restated Bylaws shall be made only upon determination that indemnification of the director or officer is proper in the circumstances, such indemnification to be made (i) by a majority vote of the disinterested directors, even if less than a quorum; or (ii) if there are no such directors, or of such directors so direct, by independent legal counsel; or (iii) by the stockholders.

The Company maintains directors' and officers' liability insurance policies insuring directors and officers of the Company for certain covered losses as defined in the policies.

Table Of Contents

## Item 16. Exhibits.

## Exhibit

No.	Description
1.1*	Form of Underwriting Agreement
2.1	Agreement and Plan of Merger by and among Valley Forge Scientific Corp. (“Valley Forge”), Synergetics Acquisition Corporation and Synergetics, Inc. dated May 2, 2005 (filed as Exhibit 2.1 to Valley Forge’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 4, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference)
2.2	Amendment No. 1 to Agreement and Plan of Merger by and among Valley Forge, Synergetics Acquisition Corporation and Synergetics, Inc. dated June 2, 2005 (filed as Exhibit 2.1 to Valley Forge’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 3, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference)
2.3	Amendment No. 2 to Agreement and Plan of Merger by and among Valley Forge, Synergetics Acquisition Corporation and Synergetics, Inc. dated July 15, 2005 (filed as Exhibit 2.1 to Valley Forge’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 15, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference)
2.4	Agreement and Plan of Reincorporation Merger, dated as of September 22, 2005, between Valley Forge and VFSC Delaware, Inc (filed as Exhibit 2.1 to the Registrant’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 27, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference)
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 27, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference)
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws (filed as Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 27, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference)
4.1	Form of Common Stock certificate (filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 27, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference)
4.2	Form of Indenture for Debt Securities
4.3*	Form of Debt Security
4.4*	Form of Common Stock Warrant Certificate
4.5*	Form of Debt Warrant Certificate
4.6*	Form of Common Stock Warrant Agreement

4.7*	Form of Debt Warrant Agreement
4.8*	Form of Unit Agreement
5.1	Opinion of Armstrong Teasdale LLP
12.1	Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges
23.1	Consent of UHY LLP
23.2	Consent of Armstrong Teasdale LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)
24.1	Powers of Attorney (see signature page)
25.1**	Statement of Eligibility of Trustee

\* To be subsequently filed by amendment or as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K.

\*\* To be subsequently filed by amendment, as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K or requisite filing under the Trust Indenture Act.

Table Of Contents

Item 17. Undertakings.

(a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i), (a)(1)(ii) and (a)(1)(iii) above do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement, or is contained in a form of prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is part of this registration statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(4) That, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser:

(i) each prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) shall be deemed to be part of the registration statement as of the date the filed prospectus was deemed part of and included in the registration statement; and

(ii) each prospectus required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2), (b)(5), or (b)(7) as part of a registration statement in reliance on Rule 430B relating to an offering made pursuant to Rule 415(a)(1)(i), (vii) or (x) for the purpose of providing the information required by section 10(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the earlier of the date such form of prospectus is first used after effectiveness or the date of the first contract of sale of securities in the offering described in the prospectus. As provided in Rule 430B, for liability purposes of the issuer and any person that is at that date an underwriter, such date shall be deemed to be a new effective date of the registration statement relating to the securities in the registration statement to which that prospectus relates, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof. Provided, however, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus

that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such effective date, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such effective date.

II-4

---

Table Of Contents

(5) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the registrant under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities, the undersigned registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:

(i) any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;

(ii) any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned registrant;

(iii) the portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant; and

(iv) any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned registrant to the purchaser.

(b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the provisions described in Item 15 above, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

(d) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes to file an application for the purpose of determining the eligibility of the trustee to act under subsection (a) of section 310 of the Trust Indenture Act, as amended (the "Trust Indenture Act"), in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the Commission under section 305(b)(2) of the Trust Indenture Act.

Table Of Contents

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the County of St. Charles, State of Missouri, on August 5, 2011.

SYNERGETICS USA, INC.

By: /s/ David M. Hable  
David M. Hable  
President and Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

We, the undersigned officers and directors of Synergetics USA, Inc., hereby severally constitute and appoint David M. Hable and Pamela G. Boone, and each of them, our true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for each of us in our name, place, and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign Synergetics USA, Inc.'s registration statement on Form S-3, and any other registration statement relating to the same offering, and any and all amendments thereto (including post-effective amendments), and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and hereby grant to such attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done, as fully to all intents and purposes as each of us might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or any of them or his/her or their substitute or substitutes may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ David M. Hable David M. Hable	President and Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	August 5, 2011
/s/ Pamela G. Boone Pamela G. Boone	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Secretary and Treasurer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	August 5, 2011
/s/ Robert H. Dick Robert H. Dick	Chairman of the Board	August 5, 2011
/s/ Lawrence C. Cardinale		

Lawrence C. Cardinale

Director

August 5, 2011

---

Table Of Contents

/s/ Kurt W. Gampp, Jr. Kurt W. Gampp, Jr.	Director	August 5, 2011
/s/ Guy R. Guarch Guy R. Guarch	Director	August 5, 2011
/s/ Juanita H. Hinshaw Juanita H. Hinshaw	Director	August 5, 2011
/s/ Jerry L. Malis Jerry L. Malis	Director	August 5, 2011

---

Table Of Contents

## INDEX TO EXHIBITS

## Exhibit

No.	Description
1.1*	Form of Underwriting Agreement
2.1	Agreement and Plan of Merger by and among Valley Forge Scientific Corp. (“Valley Forge”), Synergetics Acquisition Corporation and Synergetics, Inc. dated May 2, 2005 (filed as Exhibit 2.1 to Valley Forge’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 4, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference)
2.2	Amendment No. 1 to Agreement and Plan of Merger by and among Valley Forge, Synergetics Acquisition Corporation and Synergetics, Inc. dated June 2, 2005 (filed as Exhibit 2.1 to Valley Forge’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 3, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference)
2.3	Amendment No. 2 to Agreement and Plan of Merger by and among Valley Forge, Synergetics Acquisition Corporation and Synergetics, Inc. dated July 15, 2005 (filed as Exhibit 2.1 to Valley Forge’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 15, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference)
2.4	Agreement and Plan of Reincorporation Merger, dated as of September 22, 2005, between Valley Forge and VFSC Delaware, Inc (filed as Exhibit 2.1 to the Registrant’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 27, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference)
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 27, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference)
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws (filed as Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 27, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference)
4.1	Form of Common Stock certificate (filed as Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on September 27, 2005 and incorporated herein by reference)
<u>4.2</u>	Form of Indenture for Debt Securities
4.3*	Form of Debt Security
4.4*	Form of Common Stock Warrant Certificate
4.5*	Form of Debt Warrant Certificate
4.6*	Form of Common Stock Warrant Agreement

4.7\* Form of Debt Warrant Agreement

4.8\* Form of Unit Agreement

5.1 Opinion of Armstrong Teasdale LLP

12.1 Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

23.1 Consent of UHY LLP

23.2 Consent of Armstrong Teasdale LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)

24.1 Powers of Attorney (see signature page)

25.1\*\* Statement of Eligibility of Trustee

\* To be subsequently filed by amendment or as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K.

\*\* To be subsequently filed by amendment, as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K or requisite filing under the Trust Indenture Act.

---