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EMISPHERE TECHNOLOGIES INC Form 8-K October 29, 2009

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): October 23, 2009 Emisphere Technologies, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 000-17758 13-3306985

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

240 Cedar Knolls Road, Suite 200, Cedar Knolls, New Jersey

07927

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 973-532-8000

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

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

(b) On October 23, 2009, Franklin M. Berger resigned from the board of directors of Emisphere Technologies, Inc. (the Company) in order to focus more time on certain other business endeavors. No disagreement existed between Mr. Berger and the Company that resulted in his resignation.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Emisphere Technologies, Inc.

October 29, 2009 By: /s/ Michael R. Garone

Name: *Michael R. Garone*Title: *Chief Financial Officer*