

**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): February 15, 2023

PROPHASE LABS, INC.

(Exact name of Company as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

000-21617
(Commission
File Number)

23-2577138
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

711 Stewart Avenue, Suite 200
Garden City, New York
(Address of principal executive offices)

11530
(Zip Code)

Company's telephone number, including area code: **(215) 345-0919**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the Company under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act:

Title of Each Class	Trading Symbol	Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.0005	PRPH	Nasdaq Capital Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§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

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On February 15, 2023, ProPhase Labs, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing plans for a major expansion of its Pharmed Manufacturing, Inc. subsidiary to meet growing demand. A copy of this press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information included in Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be incorporated by reference in any registration statement filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated by reference therein. The furnishing of the information in Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1) is not intended to, and does not, constitute a determination or admission by the Company that such information is material, or that investors should consider such information before making an investment or voting decision with respect to the Company.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated February 15, 2023
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

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

ProPhase Labs, Inc.

By: /s/ Robert Morse

Robert Morse

Controller (principal financial officer and principal accounting officer)

Date: February 15, 2023



ProPhase Labs Announces Plans for Major Expansion of its Pharmed Manufacturing, Inc. Subsidiary to Meet Growing Demand

Garden City, NY, Feb. 15, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) — ProPhase Labs, Inc. (NASDAQ: PRPH) (“ProPhase”), a growth oriented and diversified diagnostics, genomics and biotech company, today provided a business update with respect to its wholly-owned contract manufacturing subsidiary, Pharmed Manufacturing, Inc. (“Pharmed”).

To meet the growing demand for its products and services, Pharmed is acquiring new equipment which is expected to double its current capacity for pouch packaging by the second quarter of 2023. Pharmed is also planning for expansion of its lozenge manufacturing business. Altogether, these expansion initiatives are expected to lead to a 200% increase in capacity for 2024 as compared to 2022. It is currently expected that the Pharmed expansion will be funded entirely from internal cash flow generated from profits generated at the operating subsidiary level with no capital required from the parent company.

Pharmed had two new customers enter full production in 2022, resulting in the addition of over 3.5 million units, mostly in the fourth quarter of 2022. The company formulated and launched seven new products for new and existing customers, totaling 1.75 million units. Additionally, the company added three new customers which are expected to enter full production in 2023, representing an estimated 1.0 million additional units.

Ted Karkus, ProPhase Lab’s Chief Executive Officer, commented, “We are currently operating at full-capacity at Pharmed. We are confident that based on the current and projected demand from many of our major customers, we will continue to operate near full capacity even after taking into account our planned expansions to triple capacity by 2024. We feel strongly that the expansions at Pharmed announced today will further solidify our position as a leading provider of lozenge manufacturing, packaging and R&D services in the United States and globally. Pharmed continues to be a strong backbone to the ProPhase family of companies, with promising growth potential as we further scale production capacity to meet increasing customer demand. Our other subsidiaries also continue to benefit from the long-lasting relationships developed at Pharmed, with major big-box retailers including Walmart, Walgreens, CVS and others. These synergies are expected to include the planned future introduction of Nebula Genomics whole genome sequencing and Equivir OTC (a broad based anti-viral) in major retail stores.”

Pharmed brought customer micro testing in-house in 2022 and produced over 50 R&D sample runs for customers. Following these successful sample runs, the company is currently finalizing a contract with a potential new customer that could add over 6.0 million units per year and negotiating with another potential new customer that could add an additional 6.0 million or more units per year. Pharmed is also in the early stages of discussing options with four other potential new customers and is currently formulating liquid-filled lozenges for its customers, with additional equipment for these products expected to be added to its current production line in 2023.



About ProPhase Labs

ProPhase Labs, Inc. (Nasdaq: PRPH) (“ProPhase”) is a growth oriented and diversified diagnostics, genomics and biotech company that seeks to leverage its CLIA lab services to provide whole genome sequencing and research direct to consumers and build a genomics database to be used for further research. The Company provides traditional CLIA molecular laboratory services, including COVID-19 testing. The Company also operates a contract manufacturing subsidiary and offers the TK Supplements line of dietary supplements, which are distributed in food, drug and mass stores throughout the country.

ProPhase Diagnostics, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of ProPhase, offers a broad array of clinical diagnostic and testing services at its CLIA certified laboratories including polymerase chain reaction (PCR) testing for SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) and Influenza A and Influenza B. Critical to COVID-19 testing, ProPhase Diagnostics provides fast turnaround times for results. ProPhase Diagnostics also offers best-in-class rapid antigen and antibody/immunity tests to broaden its COVID-19 testing beyond RT-PCR testing. The Company has announced plans for the expansion of the lab to include traditional clinical testing and genomics sequencing.

Nebula Genomics, a wholly owned subsidiary of ProPhase, focuses on genomics sequencing and testing technologies, a comprehensive method for analyzing entire genomes, including the genes and chromosomes in DNA. The data obtained from genomic sequencing may help to identify inherited disorders and tendencies, help predict disease risk, help identify expected drug response, and characterize genetic mutations, including those that drive cancer progression. The Company currently offers Nebula Genomics whole genome sequencing products direct-to-consumer online, with plans to sell in food, drug and mass (FDM) stores and to provide testing for universities conducting genomic research.

ProPhase BioPharma, Inc. (PBIO), a wholly owned subsidiary of ProPhase, was formed for the licensing, development and commercialization of novel drugs and compounds. Licensed compounds currently include Equivir (OTC/dietary supplement) and Equivir G (Rx), two broad based anti-virals, and Linebacker LB-1 and LB-2, two small molecule PIM kinase inhibitors. The company is collaborating with the Dana Farber Cancer Institute to develop LB-1 as a cancer co-therapy. In January 2023, the Company acquired exclusive rights to BE-Smart Esophageal Pre-Cancer Diagnostic Screening test and related IP assets. The BE-Smart test is focused on the early detection of esophageal cancer, and is intended to provide health care providers and patients with data to help determine treatment options.

ProPhase Labs has decades of experience researching, developing, manufacturing, distributing, marketing, and selling OTC consumer healthcare products and dietary supplements under the TK Supplements® brand and Pharmed contract manufacturing subsidiary.

ProPhase actively pursues strategic investments and acquisition opportunities for other companies, technologies, and products.

For more information, visit www.ProPhaseLabs.com.



Forward Looking Statements

Except for the historical information contained herein, this document contains forward- looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements regarding our strategy, plans, objectives and initiatives, including our expectations regarding our ability to double capacity at Pharmed by the second quarter of 2023 and triple capacity by 2024, our ability to fund the planned Pharmed expansion at the subsidiary level with no contribution from the parent company,

the anticipated timing for Pharmed customers to enter production, our ability to finalize and consummate contracts with potential new Pharmed customers, as well as our plans to expand our New York lab to include traditional clinical testing and genomic sequencing, to sell our whole genome sequencing products in food, drug and mass (FDM) stores and to provide testing for universities conducting genomic research, and our ability to develop and commercialize LB-1 as a cancer co-therapy. Management believes that these forward-looking statements are reasonable as and when made.

However, such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements. These risks and uncertainties include but are not limited to our ability to obtain and maintain necessary regulatory approvals, general economic conditions, consumer demand for our products and services, challenges relating to entering into and growing new business lines, the competitive environment, and the risk factors listed from time to time in our Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and any other SEC filings. The Company undertakes no obligation to update forward-looking statements except as required by applicable securities laws. Readers are cautioned that forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forward-looking statements.

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