ARTES MEDICAL INC Form DEFA14A October 22, 2008

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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 22, 2008

Artes Medical, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 001-33205 33-0870808

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

5870 Pacific Center Boulevard San Diego, California 92121

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, with Zip Code)

(858) 550-9999

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

n/a

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On October 22, 2008, Artes Medical, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that the Company s Board of Directors unanimously opposes the non-management proxy statement filed by H. Michael Shack and has determined that the non-management proposals are not in the best interests of the Company or its stockholders. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1, and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release, dated October 22, 2008.

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SIGNATURE

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

Dated: October 22, 2008

Artes Medical, Inc.

By: /s/ Karla R. Kelly
Karla R. Kelly
Chief Legal Officer, General Counsel
and Corporate Secretary

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