

ANTIGENICS INC /DE/  
Form 8-K  
May 27, 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**

**May 23, 2009**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)**

**ANTIGENICS INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**DELAWARE**  
**(State or other jurisdiction)**

**000-29089**  
**(Commission File Number)**

**06-1562417**  
**(IRS Employer)**

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of incorporation)

Identification No.)

**3 Forbes Road**

**Lexington, MA**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**781-674-4400**

**02421**  
(Zip Code)

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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- ..  Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 1.01 Entry into a material definitive agreement**

On May 23, 2009, Antigenics Inc. ( Antigenics ) executed a binding letter of intent with ISSI Strategy ( ISSI ) pursuant to which the parties agreed that ISSI would be Antigenics exclusive distributor for Antigenics autologous cancer vaccine, Oncophage® in the Russian Federation. Pursuant to the terms of the letter, ISSI would also provide related import/export and logistics management and commercialization services. The initial term of the arrangement is three years, unless extended or earlier terminated by the parties in accordance with the terms of the letter.

**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.

**ANTIGENICS INC.**

Date: May 27, 2009

By: /s/ Garo H. Armen  
Garo H. Armen  
Chairman and CEO