_____ 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): August 29, 2007 AVANT IMMUNOTHERAPEUTICS, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter) Delaware 0-15006 13-3191702 (State or other jurisdiction(Commission file number) (IRS employer of incorporation) identification no.) 119 Fourth Avenue Needham, Massachusetts 02494-2725 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (781) 433-0771 _____ 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: 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)) _____ _____

Item 3.01-Notice of Delisting or Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule or Standard; Transfer of Listing.

On August 29, 2007, AVANT Immunotherapeutics, Inc. (the "Company") received notice from the Listing Qualifications Department of The NASDAQ Stock Market indicating that the Company has been approved to list its common stock on The NASDAQ Capital Market. The Company's common stock will begin trading on The NASDAQ Capital Market, and will cease trading on The NASDAQ Global Market, at the opening of business on August 31, 2007. The trading symbol for the Company's common stock remains "AVAN."

On August 30, 2007 the Company issued a press release announcing its receipt of the notification letter. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Description of Exhibit Number

99.1 AVANT Immunotherapeutics, Inc. Press Release, dated August 30, 2007

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, thereunto duly authorized.

AVANT IMMUNOTHERAPEUTICS, INC.

Dated: August 30, 2007

By: /s/ Avery W. Catlin

Avery W. Catlin Title:Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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The following designated exhibit is furnished herewith:

Exhibit Number Description of Exhibit 99.1 AVANT Immunotherapeutics, Inc. Press Release, dated August 30, 2007

AVANT Receives Approval to Transfer Securities to the NASDAQ Capital Market

NEEDHAM, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Aug. 30, 2007--AVANT Immunotherapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq: AVAN) announced today that on August 29, 2007 it received a letter from The NASDAQ Stock Market stating that AVANT was approved to list its common stock on The NASDAQ Capital Market. AVANT's common stock will be transferred to The NASDAQ Capital Market from The NASDAQ Global Market at the opening of business on August 31, 2007.

Under The NASDAQ Capital Market, AVANT will continue to have until January 2, 2008 to regain compliance with NASDAQ Marketplace Rule 4450(a)(5) (the "Minimum Bid Price Rule") in accordance with Marketplace Rule 4450(e)(2). To regain compliance with the Minimum Bid Price Rule, the closing bid price of AVANT's common stock must remain at \$1.00 per share or more for a minimum of ten consecutive business days. AVANT will seek to regain compliance with the Minimum Bid Price Rule by January 2, 2008 and is considering alternatives to address compliance with the continued listing standards of The NASDAQ Stock Market.

AVANT currently meets all of the requirements for continued listing on The NASDAQ Capital Market, except for the Minimum Bid Price Rule as explained above, and believes the transfer to be in the best interest of all stockholders. Additionally, the lower cost and listing requirements of The NASDAQ Capital Market better meet AVANT's needs as a small public company.

Additional information on AVANT Immunotherapeutics, Inc. can be obtained through our site on the World Wide Web: http://www.avantimmune.com.

Safe Harbor Statement Under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: This release includes forward-looking statements that are subject to a variety of risks and uncertainties and reflect AVANT's current views with respect to future events and financial performance. There are a number of important factors that could cause the actual results to differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statement made by AVANT. These factors include, but are not limited to: (1) the integration of multiple technologies and programs; (2) the ability to adapt AVANT's vectoring systems to develop new, safe and effective orally administered vaccines against anthrax and plague or other any other microbes used as bioweapons and other disease causing agents; (3) the ability to successfully complete product research and further development, including animal, pre-clinical and clinical studies, and commercialization of CholeraGarde(R) (Peru-15), Ty800, ETEC E. coli vaccine, VLPs and other products and AVANT's expectations regarding market growth; (4) the cost, timing, scope and results of ongoing safety and efficacy trials of CholeraGarde(R) (Peru-15), Ty800, ETEC E. coli vaccine and other preclinical and clinical testing; (5) the ability to negotiate strategic partnerships or other disposition transactions for AVANT's cardiovascular programs, including TP10 and CETi; (6) the ability of AVANT to manage multiple clinical trials for a variety of product candidates; (7) AVANT's expectations regarding its technological capabilities and expanding its focus to broader markets for vaccines; (8) the Company's expectations regarding the cost of funding its development partnership with Select Vaccines Limited for the influenza vaccine, the opportunity to extend to other disease targets, and AVANT's ability to develop products through this collaboration; (9) changes in existing and potential relationships with corporate collaborators; (10) the availability, cost, delivery and quality of clinical and commercial grade materials produced at AVANT's own Manufacturing facility or supplied by contract manufacturers and partners; (11) the timing, cost and uncertainty of obtaining regulatory approvals; (12) the ability to develop and commercialize products before competitors that are superior to the alternatives developed by competitors; (13) the ability to retain certain members of management;(14) AVANT's expectations regarding research and development expenses and general and administrative expenses; (15) AVANT's expectations regarding cash balances, capital requirements, anticipated royalty payments (including those from Paul Royalty Fund), revenues and expenses, including infrastructure expenses; (16) our belief regarding the validity of our patents and potential litigation; and (17) certain other factors that might cause AVANT's actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements including those set forth under the headings "Business," "Risk

Factors" and Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in each of AVANT's Annual Report on Form 10-K, its Quarterly Reports on Form 8-K, as well as those described in AVANT's other press releases and filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, from time to time. You should carefully review all of these factors, and you should be aware that there may be other factors that could cause these differences. These forward-looking statements were based on information, plans and estimates at the date of this press release, and AVANT does not promise to update any forward-looking statements to reflect changes in underlying assumptions or factors, new information, future events or other changes.

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