

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) December 15, 2023 (December 11, 2023)

SHIFT TECHNOLOGIES, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

001-38839

(Commission File Number)

82-5325852

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

290 Division Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, CA

(Address of principal executive offices)

94103

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(855) 575-6739**

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 240a-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 Act:

| Title of each class | Trading Symbol(s) | Name of each exchange on which registered |
|--|-------------------|---|
| Class A common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share | N/A | N/A |

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

On December 11, 2023, Jason Curtis, Chief Financial Officer of Shift Technologies, Inc. (the “Company”), informed management of his decision to resign from the Company to pursue another opportunity, effective January 2, 2024. Mr. Curtis’s departure is not the result of any disagreements over the Company’s business, operations, or strategic direction.

Cautionary Note Regarding the Company’s Securities

The Company cautions that trading in its securities, including the Common Stock, during the pendency of the Chapter 11 Case is highly speculative and poses substantial risks. Trading prices for the Company’s securities may bear little or no relationship to the actual recovery, if any, by holders of the Company’s securities in the Chapter 11 Case. In particular, the Company expects that its stockholders could experience a significant or complete loss on their investment, depending on the outcome of the Chapter 11 Case.

Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements in this Current Report on Form 8-K constitute “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Words contained in this Current Report on Form 8-K such as “believe,” “anticipate,” “expect,” “estimate,” “plan,” “intend,” “should,” “would,” “could,” “may,” “might,” “will” and variations of such words and similar future or conditional expressions, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements related to the Company’s business operations, financial position, financial performance, liquidity, strategic alternatives, market outlook, future capital needs, capital allocation plans, the impact and timing of any cost-savings measures; business strategies, the ability to negotiate suitable restructuring or refinancing options and other such matters. These forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future results and are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties, many of which are difficult to predict and beyond our control. Important assumptions and other important factors that may cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to: the Company’s ability to negotiate, finalize and enter into suitable restructuring or refinancing options on satisfactory terms, if at all; the effects of the Company’s ongoing review of strategic alternatives, and any other cost-savings measures, including increased legal and other professional costs necessary to execute the Company’s strategy; general economic conditions, including inflation, recession, unemployment levels, consumer confidence and spending patterns, credit availability and debt levels; the Company’s ability to attract, motivate and retain key executives and other employees; potential adverse reactions or changes to business relationships resulting from the announcement of the Company’s restructuring plan and associated workforce reduction; unexpected costs, charges or expenses resulting from the Company’s restructuring plan and associated workforce reduction or other cost-saving measures; the Company’s ability to generate or maintain liquidity; legal and regulatory proceedings; and those additional risks, uncertainties and factors described in more detail in the Company’s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) from time to time, including under the caption “Risk Factors” in the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022 (including any amendments thereto), and in the Company’s other filings with the SEC (including any amendments thereto). The Company disclaims any obligation or undertaking to update, supplement or revise any forward-looking statements contained in this Current Report on Form 8-K except as required by applicable law or regulation. Given these risks and uncertainties, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on the forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

| Exhibit Number | Description |
|-----------------------|---|
| 104 | Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101). |

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.

SHIFT TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

Dated: December 15, 2023

/s/ Ayman Moussa

Name: Ayman Moussa

Title: Chief Executive Officer