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): July 29, 2016 (July 28, 2016)

ALKERMES PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Ireland (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **001—35299** (Commission File Number) **98-1007018** (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Connaught House 1 Burlington Road Dublin 4, Ireland (Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: +353-1-772-8000

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On July 28, 2016, the United States District Court for the District of Columbia issued an unambiguous opinion in favor of Alkermes and the United States Food and Drug Administration ("FDA"), affirming in all respects FDA's decision to approve ARISTADA® (aripiprazole lauroxil) for the treatment of schizophrenia, and denying the action filed by Otsuka Pharm. Co., Otsuka Pharmaceutical Development & Commercialization, Inc., and Otsuka America Pharmaceutical, Inc. (collectively, "Otsuka") for declaratory and injunctive relief. Otsuka has 60 days within which to appeal the decision.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

ALKERMES PLC

By: /s/ James M. Frates James M. Frates Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

Date: July 29, 2016