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): October 23, 2009 (October 19, 2009)

THRESHOLD PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-32979 (Commission File Number) 94-3409596 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1300 Seaport Boulevard, Suite 500 Redwood City, California 94063 (Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

(650) 474-8200

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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 October 19, 2009, Federated Kaufmann Fund, a party to the Securities Purchase Agreement dated September 29, 2009 (the "SPA"), by and among Threshold Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ("Threshold") and the investors named therein, sent a letter to Threshold stating that Federated is waiving its rights under Section 4.7 of the SPA, including its right to designate a nominee to Threshold's board of directors.

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.

THRESHOLD PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.

Ву:

/s/ JOEL A. FERNANDES Joel A. Fernandes Senior Director, Finance and Controller

Date: October 23, 2009