# 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 25, 2023

# OCEAN POWER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

#### **Delaware**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**001-33417** (Commission File Number)

22-2535818

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

28 Engelhard Drive, Suite B Monroe Township, New Jersey 08831

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code) (609) 730-0400

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report): Not Applicable

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligations of the registrant under any of the

| following provisions:  |  |                   |  |
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| □ W  | Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)                  |                   |  |
| ⊠ S  | Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)                 |                   |  |
| □ P:   | Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) |                   |  |
| □ P  | 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<br>Which Registered |
| Common Stock, \$0.001 par value  |  | OPTT              | NYSE American                                |
| Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR 230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR 240.12b-2).                                 |  |                   |  |
| 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 8.01. Other Events.

As of the date hereof, the Board of Directors of Ocean Power Technologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("OPT"), has not set a date for OPT's 2023 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "2023 Annual Meeting"). However, OPT does not currently expect to schedule the 2023 Annual Meeting to take place on a date that is earlier than January 24, 2024. OPT has made a representation to that effect to the Delaware Court of Chancery in connection with ongoing litigation between OPT and Paragon Technologies, Inc. and such representation is reflected in the Court's order issued on October 23, 2023 governing the case schedule for such litigation. While the date of the 2023 Annual Meeting has not yet been fixed, the OPT Board of Directors has fixed the close of business of December 4, 2023 as the record date for determining stockholders entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the 2023 Annual Meeting. Such record date is also reflected in the Court's case scheduling order of October 23, 2023.

#### **Important Additional Information And Where To Find It**

OPT intends to file a proxy statement and an accompanying <u>WHITE</u> proxy card with the SEC in connection with the solicitation of proxies from OPT's stockholders in connection with the matters to be considered at the 2023 Annual Meeting. INVESTORS AND STOCKHOLDERS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO READ ANY SUCH PROXY STATEMENT AND THE ACCOMPANYING <u>WHITE</u> PROXY CARD AND OTHER DOCUMENTS FILED BY OPT WITH THE SEC CAREFULLY AND IN THEIR ENTIRETY WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE AS THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION. Stockholders will be able to obtain the Proxy Statement, any amendments or supplements to the Proxy Statement, the accompanying <u>WHITE</u> proxy card, and other documents filed by OPT with the SEC free of charge at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. Copies will also be available free of charge at the Investor Relations section of OPT's corporate website at www.oceanpowertechnologies.com, by writing to OPT's Corporate Secretary at Ocean Power Technologies, Inc., 28 Engelhard Drive, Suite B, Monroe Township, NJ 08831, or by contacting OPT at (609) 730-0400.

#### **Certain Participant Information**

OPT, members of its Board of Directors, and certain of its executive officers are "participants" in the solicitation of proxies from OPT's stockholders in connection with the 2023 Annual Meeting. The following directors and executive officers of OPT beneficially hold the amount of shares of OPT's common stock indicated adjacent to his or her name: (i) OPT directors: Terence J. Cryan (148,595 shares), Philipp Stratmann (93,807 shares), Clyde W. Hewlett (71,577 shares), Natalie Lorenz-Anderson (52,448 shares), Diana G. Purcel (71,577 shares), and Peter E. Slaiby (96,577 shares); and (ii) OPT officers who are not also directors of OPT: Robert Powers (28,888 shares) and Joseph DiPietro (2,909 shares). The business address for each of the foregoing persons is c/o Ocean Power Technologies, Inc., 28 Engelhard Drive, Suite B, Monroe Township, NJ 08831. Additional information regarding OPT's directors, executive officers, and other participants in the solicitation of proxies from OPT's stockholders in connection with the matters to be considered at the 2023 Annual Meeting, and their direct or indirect interests, through security holdings or otherwise, will be set forth in OPT's proxy statement for its 2023 Annual Meeting, including the schedules and appendices thereto.

#### **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.

### OCEAN POWER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: October 25, 2023 /s/ Philipp Stratmann By:

Name: Philipp Stratmann
Title: President and Chief Executive Officer