# 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 Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): June 23, 2021

## Ocean Power Technologies, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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(Commission

22-2535818

(I.R.S. Employer

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction

| of incorporation)   | File Number)                               | Identification No.)  |
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| 28 Engelhard Drive, Suite B   |  |  |
| Monroe Township, New Jersey   |  | 08831  |
| (Address of principal executive off   | ices)                                      | (Zip Code)   |
|   | (609) 730-0400                             |  |
| (F  | Registrant's telephone number, including a | rea code)  |
| Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. be         | · ·  | tisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the     |
| [ ] Written communications pursuant to Rule 42  | 25 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.4  | 25)  |
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| [ ] Pre-commencement communications pursua  | nt to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange A   | ct (17 CRF 240.133-4(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                          |
| Common Stock, \$0.001 Par Value   | OPTT                                       | NYSE American  |
| Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an example 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (1 |  | Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR 230.405) or         |
| Emerging growth company [ ]   |  |  |
| If an emerging growth company, indicate by check nor revised financial accounting standards provided pu     | •  | e the extended transition period for complying with any new ct.[ ] |
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#### Item 8.01. Other Events.

On June 23, 2021, Ocean Power Technologies, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing the Company's addition to the Russell Microcap® Index, effective after the stock market opens on June 28, 2021. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

| Exhibit Number | Description  |
|----------------|--|
| 99.1           | Press release dated June 23, 2021 regarding the announcement of the Company's addition to the Russell Microcap® Index. |

#### **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.

Date: June 23, 2021

OCEAN POWER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

/s/ Philipp Stratmann

Philipp Stratmann President and Chief Executive Officer



Ocean Power Technologies Added to Russell Microcap® Index

MONROE TOWNSHIP, N.J., June 23, 2021 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) – Ocean Power Technologies, Inc. ("OPT" or the "Company") (NYSE American: OPTT), a leader in innovative and cost-effective low carbon ocean energy solutions, today announced the Company's addition to the Russell Microcap® Index, effective after the market opens on June 28, 2021. FTSE Russell disclosed OPT's inclusion in its annual reconstitution additions.

"OPT's inclusion in the Russell Microcap® Index is testament to the Company's growth potential," stated Philipp Stratmann, President and CEO of OPT. "We believe that the awareness of being included in Russell indexes will not only benefit our existing shareholders but will lead to greater exposure to potential institutional investors."

Membership in the Russell Microcap® Index means automatic inclusion in the appropriate growth and value style indexes. FTSE Russell annually determines membership for its indexes primarily by objective, market capitalization rankings, and style attributes.

#### **About Ocean Power Technologies**

Headquartered in Monroe Township, New Jersey, OPT aspires to transform the world through durable, innovative, and cost-effective ocean energy solutions. Its PowerBuoy® solutions platform provides clean and reliable electric power and real-time data communications for remote offshore and subsea applications in markets such as offshore energy, defense and security, science and research, and communications. To learn more, visit <a href="https://www.OceanPowerTechnologies.com">www.OceanPowerTechnologies.com</a>.

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#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This release may contain forward-looking statements that are within the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements reflect the Company's current expectations about its future plans and performance and rely on a number of assumptions and estimates that could be inaccurate and subject to risks and uncertainties. Actual results could vary materially from those anticipated or expressed in any forward-looking statement made by the Company. Please refer to the Company's most recent Forms 10-Q and 10-K and subsequent filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission for further discussion of these risks and uncertainties. The Company disclaims any obligation or intent to update the forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this release.

#### **Contact Information**

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