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): February 16, 2023

TMC THE METALS COMPANY INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

British Columbia, Canada (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-39281 (Commission File Number) Not Applicable (IRS Employer Identification No.)

595 Howe Street, 10th Floor Vancouver, British Columbia (Address of principal executive offices)

V6C 2T5 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (604) 631-3115

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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)

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□ 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
TMC Common Shares without par value	TMC	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
Redeemable warrants, each whole warrant exercisable for one TMC	TMCWW	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
Common Share, each at an exercise price of \$11.50 per share		

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).

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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. \Box

Item 8.01. Other Events.

As previously reported, on December 5, 2022, TMC the metals company Inc. (the "Company") received written notice from The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq") notifying the Company that the closing bid price for the Company's common shares (the "Common Shares") had fallen below \$1.00 per share for 30 consecutive business days, which is the minimum closing bid price required to maintain listing on the Nasdaq Stock Market under Nasdaq Listing Rule 5450(a)(1) (the "Minimum Bid Requirement").

On February 16, 2023, the Company received written notice from the Nasdaq notifying the Company that since the closing bid price for the Common Shares was \$1.00 per share or greater for ten consecutive business days, the Company has regained compliance with the Minimum Bid Requirement and this matter is now closed.

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.

TMC THE METALS COMPANY INC.

Date: February 16, 2023

By: /s/ Craig Shesky

Name: Craig Shesky Title: Chief Financial Officer