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Form 8-K  
January 09, 2018

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM 8-K

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CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): January 8, 2018

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RICEBRAN TECHNOLOGIES  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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|---------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| California                                        | 0-32565                  | 87-0673375                           |
| (State or other jurisdiction<br>of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |

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|------------------------------------------|------------|
| 820 Riverside Parkway                    | 95605      |
| West Sacramento, CA                      |            |
| (Address of Principal Executive Offices) | (Zip Code) |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (602) 522-3000

(Former name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report.)

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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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

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))

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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).

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.

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

Appointment of Brent Rystrom as Chief Operating Officer of RiceBran Technologies

On January 8, 2018, Brent R. Rystrom, 54, was appointed Chief Operating Officer of RiceBran Technologies. Mr. Rystrom continues to serve as the company's Chief Financial Officer, a position he has held since March 2017. Mr. Rystrom brings over 25 years of business finance experience, including over 20 years of service as a director of research and senior financial analyst for several investment banking firms, including Piper Jaffray and Feltl & Company. From 2009 until March 2017, Mr. Rystrom served as director of research for Feltl & Company, a regional investment banking firm headquartered in Minnesota, where he managed research, institutional sales, and trading departments while providing research coverage on consumer products, retail and agriculture companies ranging from micro to large capitalization. Over his 11 years of service at Piper Jaffray he was named a Wall Street Journal "Best on the Street" analyst and a "Top 10" Retailing Industry Analyst from Reuter's. Since 1997, Mr. Rystrom has also successfully acquired and managed a large portfolio of personal agricultural real estate assets, and from 2011 through 2015, he served on the customer advisory board of AgStar, a \$10 billion agricultural bank based in Minnesota. Mr. Rystrom holds a degree in business finance from St. Thomas University.

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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.

RICEBRAN  
TECHNOLOGIES

Date: January 8, 2018 By: /s/ Robert Smith  
Robert Smith  
Chief Executive Officer  
(Duly Authorized Officer)

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