

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): **January 11, 2022**

Hydrofarm Holdings Group, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

001-39773

(Commission
File Number)

81-4895761

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

**270 Canal Road
Fairless Hills, PA 19030**

(Address of Principal Executive
Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(707) 765-9990**

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- 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))

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, \$0.0001 par value per share	HYFM	NASDAQ Global Select Market

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.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On January 11, 2022, Hydrofarm Holdings Group, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing the publishing of its 2020 environmental, social and governance (“ESG”) report to stakeholders, highlighting the Company’s continued environmental, health and safety focus and sustainable governance practices. A copy of the ESG report can be found within the Corporate Governance section of the Company’s investor relations website at www.hydrofarm.com. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K and Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section or Sections 11 and 12(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The information contained in this Item 7.01 and in the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission made by the Company, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release, dated January 11, 2022.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

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.

Hydrofarm Holdings Group, Inc.

Date: January 11, 2022

By: /s/ William Toler
Name: William Toler
Title: Chief Executive Officer



Hydrofarm Releases Inaugural 2020 ESG Sustainability Report

January 11, 2022

FAIRLESS HILLS, Pa., Jan. 11, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Hydrofarm Holdings Group, Inc. ("Hydrofarm" or the "Company") (Nasdaq: HYFM), a leading distributor and manufacturer of hydroponics equipment and supplies for controlled environment agriculture ("CEA"), today announced the release of its first Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Sustainability Report covering the Company's 2020 initiatives and activities. The resulting sustainability framework will also be used to develop a comprehensive sustainability strategy that will guide the company's ESG efforts in the coming years.

"We're pleased to present Hydrofarm's first ESG Sustainability Report, highlighting our environmental, social, and governance practices," said Bill Toler, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Hydrofarm. "While we have long been committed to operating our business with the highest integrity, we recognize that our transition to being a publicly-traded company has raised the bar and stakeholder expectations. We are excited to meet that challenge with more transparency, more accountability, and even greater enthusiasm for the use of sustainable business practices to drive innovation, customer satisfaction and profitability. We understand that sustainability is a business imperative - one that will require investments in every facet of our business as we seek to reduce our global impact, mitigate our risk, and act quickly on emerging opportunities."

The full 2020 Hydrofarm ESG Sustainability Report can be found within the Corporate Governance section of the Company's investor relations website at investors.hydrofarm.com. Report highlights include:

Sustainable Products – Hydrofarm continuously seeks to improve the environmental impact of its products, looking at opportunities to increase efficiency and reduce material use throughout the product lifecycle. Hydrofarm's Product Development, Regulatory, and Quality Assurance teams carefully track product components and characteristics to ensure the Company is appropriately managing materials of concern, environmental certifications, and safety features. Additionally, a dedicated team of product specialists is responsible for managing traceability, product compliance, safety, and proper labeling across all of the Company's product categories and channels.

Green Operations - Guided by its Environment, Health and Safety policy, Hydrofarm's commitment to the environment extends to its facilities, customer, suppliers, and employees, as well as the communities in which it operates. Hydrofarm's guiding environmental principles include the implementation of systems to reduce pollution and managing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in alignment with science-based targets. The Company will conduct its first corporate-wide carbon footprint analysis in 2022.

Focus on People - Hydrofarm is committed to an inclusive and welcoming workplace, where everyone is treated fairly and equitably. Discrimination, either overt or through unconscious bias, has no place at Hydrofarm, and all employment decisions are covered by this commitment. The Company also works to provide and maintain a safe, healthy, and productive workplace by addressing and remediating identified risks of accidents, injury, and health impacts. While accidents and injuries are rare, Hydrofarm is committed to engaging with our employees to continually improve the health and safety in our workplace. This includes ongoing initiatives to mitigate the health risks to employees from the COVID-19 global pandemic.

About Hydrofarm Holdings Group, Inc.

Hydrofarm is a leading distributor and manufacturer of controlled environment agriculture equipment and supplies, including high-intensity grow lights, climate control solutions, and growing media, as well as a broad portfolio of innovative and proprietary branded products. For more than 40 years, Hydrofarm has helped growers in the U.S. and Canadian markets make growing easier and more productive. The Company's mission is to empower growers, farmers and cultivators with products that enable greater quality, efficiency, consistency and speed in their grow projects. For additional information, please visit: www.hydrofarm.com

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