# 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): August 2, 2024

# CINGULATE INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-40874

(Commission File Number) 86-3825535 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1901 W. 47<sup>th</sup> Place Kansas City, KS 66205

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(913) 942-2300

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

□ 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

Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share

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The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
(Nasdaq Capital Market)

Warrants, exercisable for one share of common stock

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The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
(Nasdaq Capital Market)

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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 (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.  $\Box$ 

#### Item 3.01. Notice of Delisting or Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule or Standard; Transfer of Listing.

On August 2, 2024, the Nasdaq Hearings Panel (the "Panel") notified Cingulate Inc. (the "Company") that it has granted the Company's request for an exception to demonstrate compliance with the \$1.00 Minimum Bid Price requirement set forth in Nasdaq Listing Rule 5550(a)(2) (the "Bid Price Requirement") for continued listing through August 23, 2024 (the "Exception").

As previously disclosed, on June 17, 2024, the Company received a notice from the Listing Qualifications Staff (the "Staff") of The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq") indicating that, based upon the Company's non-compliance with the Bid Price Requirement, the Staff had determined to delist the Company's securities from Nasdaq, subject to the Company's request for a hearing before the Panel. Because, as previously disclosed, the Company is subject to a discretionary panel monitor through May 21, 2025 pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5815(d)(4)(A), the Staff did not grant additional time for the Company to regain compliance with the Bid Price Requirement. The Company timely requested a hearing before the Panel, which was held on July 25, 2024

The Panel granted the Company's request for the Exception, subject to (i) the Company effecting a reverse stock split on or before August 9, 2024, at a ratio of between 1-for-3 and 1-for-15; and (ii) on or before August 23, 2024, the Company demonstrating compliance with the Bid Price Requirement by evidencing a closing bid price of \$1.00 or more per share for a minimum of ten (10) consecutive trading sessions, and evidencing compliance with all applicable criteria for continued listing on Nasdaq.

Pursuant to the Exception, the Company is required to provide the Panel with prompt notification of any significant events that occur including any event that may call into question the Company's ability to satisfy the terms of the Exception. The Panel has reserved the right to reconsider the terms of the Exception based on any event, condition or circumstance that exists or develops that would, in the Panel's opinion, make continued listing of the Company's securities on Nasdaq inadvisable or unwarranted.

#### Item 3.03. Material Modification to Rights of Security Holders.

The information contained in Item 5.03 below is incorporated by reference into this Item 3.03.

#### Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

On August 7, 2024, the Company filed a Certificate of Amendment to the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware (the "Certificate of Amendment"), which will effect, at 12:01 a.m. Eastern Time on August 9, 2024, a 1-for-12 reverse stock split (the "Reverse Stock Split") of the Company's issued and outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Common Stock"). In connection with the Reverse Stock Split, the CUSIP number for the Common Stock will change to 17248W303.

The Company anticipates the Common Stock will begin trading on a Reverse Stock Split-adjusted basis when the market opens on August 9, 2024.

As a result of the Reverse Stock Split, every twelve (12) shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding was converted into one share of Common Stock. The Reverse Stock Split affected all stockholders uniformly and did not alter any stockholder's percentage interest in the Company's equity, except to the extent that the Reverse Stock Split would have resulted in some stockholders owning a fractional share. No fractional shares were issued in connection with the Reverse Stock Split. Stockholders who would otherwise be entitled to a fractional share of Common Stock will automatically be entitled to receive an additional fraction of a share of Common Stock to round up to the next whole share.

The Reverse Stock Split did not change the par value of the Common Stock or the authorized number of shares of Common Stock. All outstanding securities entitling their holders to purchase shares of Common Stock or acquire shares of Common Stock, including stock options and warrants, were adjusted as a result of the Reverse Stock Split, as required by the terms of those securities.

At the Company's special meeting of stockholders held on July 30, 2024, the Company's stockholders granted the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") the discretion to effect the Reverse Stock Split at a ratio of not less than 1-for-2 and not more than 1-for-15, with such ratio to be determined by the Board. On July 30, 2024, the Board approved a Reverse Stock Split ratio of 1-for-12 and authorized the filing of the Certificate of Amendment.

The foregoing description of the Certificate of Amendment is a summary of the material terms thereof, does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Certificate of Amendment, which is filed with this report as Exhibit 3.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(1)	Transaction in	
(u)	Exhibits	

Exhibit No.	Description
3.1	Certificate of Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Cingulate Inc., dated August 7, 2024
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.

### CINGULATE INC.

Dated: August 7, 2024 By: /s/Jennifer Callahan

Name: Jennifer Callahan
Title: Chief Financial Officer

# CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT OF THE AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF CINGULATE INC.

Cingulate Inc., a corporation duly organized and validly existing under and by virtue of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "DGCL");

#### DOES HEREBY CERTIFY AS FOLLOWS:

FIRST: That a resolution was duly adopted on July 30, 2024, by the Board of Directors of the Corporation pursuant to Section 242 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware setting forth an amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation and declaring said amendment to be advisable. The stockholders of the Corporation duly approved said proposed amendment at the special meeting of stockholders held on July 30, 2024, in accordance with Section 242 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. The proposed amendment set forth as follows:

Article IV of the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation be and hereby is amended by adding the following after the first paragraph of Section A of Article IV:

"Upon effectiveness ("Effective Time") of this amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation, a one-for- twelve reverse stock split (the "Reverse Split") of the Corporation's Common Stock shall become effective, pursuant to which each twelve (12) shares of Common Stock outstanding and held of record by each stockholder of the Corporation and each share of Common Stock held in treasury by the Corporation immediately prior to the Effective Time ("Old Common Stock") shall automatically, and without any action by the holder thereof, be reclassified and combined into one (1) validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable share of Common Stock ("New Common Stock"), subject to the treatment of fractional interests as described below and with no corresponding reduction in the number of authorized shares of our Common Stock. The Reverse Split shall also apply to any outstanding securities or rights convertible into, or exchangeable or exercisable for, Old Common Stock and all references to such Old Common Stock in agreements, arrangements, documents and plans relating thereto or any option or right to purchase or acquire shares of Old Common Stock shall be deemed to be references to the New Common Stock or options or rights to purchase or acquire shares of New Common stock, as the case may be, after giving effect to the Reverse Split.

No fractional shares of Common Stock will be issued in connection with the Reverse Split. If, upon aggregating all of the Common Stock held by a holder of Common Stock immediately following the Reverse Split a holder of Common Stock would otherwise be entitled to a fractional share of Common Stock, the Corporation shall issue to such holder such fractions of a share of Common Stock as are necessary to round the number of shares of Common Stock held by such holder up to the nearest whole share.

Each holder of record of a certificate or certificates for one or more shares of the Old Common Stock shall be entitled to receive as soon as practicable, upon surrender of such certificate, a certificate or certificates representing the largest whole number of shares of New Common Stock to which such holder shall be entitled pursuant to the provisions of the immediately preceding paragraphs. Each stock certificate that, immediately prior to the Effective Time, represented shares of Old Common Stock that were issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time shall, from and after the Effective Time, automatically and without the necessity of presenting the same for exchange, represent that number of whole shares of New Common Stock after the Effective Time into which the shares formerly represented by such certificate have been reclassified, subject to adjustment for fractional shares as described above."

SECOND: That said amendment will have an Effective Time of 12:01 a.m., Eastern Time, on August 9, 2024.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned has duly executed this Certificate of Amendment on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024.

# CINGULATE INC.

By: /s/ Shane J. Schaffer
Name: Shane J. Schaffer

Title: Chief Executive Officer