SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC

Form SC TO-I March 11, 2014

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

SCHEDULE TO (Rule 13e-4)

TENDER OFFER STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(d)(1) OR 13(e)(1) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS, INC.

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer) and Filing Person (Offeror))

2.625% Convertible Senior Debentures due 2024 (Title of Class of Securities)

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(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

Brian J. Sisko, Esq.

Chief Operating Officer, Executive Vice President and Managing Director

Safeguard Scientifics, Inc.

435 Devon Park Drive, Building 800

Wayne, PA 19087

(610) 293-0600

(Name, address and telephone number of person authorized to receive notices and communications on behalf of filing person)

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CALCULATION OF FILING FEE

Transaction valuation*

Amount of filing fee**

\$56.80

\$441,000

Estimated for purposes of calculating the filing fee only. The purchase price of the 2.625% Convertible Senior Debentures due 2024 (the "Securities"), is equal to 100% of the principal amount of those Securities, excluding

*accrued and unpaid interest and certain other amounts, if any. As of March 11, 2014, there is \$441,000 in aggregate principal amount of Securities outstanding, resulting in an aggregate maximum purchase price of \$441,000 plus the accrued and unpaid interest through and including April 7, 2014.

The amount of the filing fee, calculated in accordance with Rule 0-11 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, **as amended, as modified by Fee Advisory No. 1 for fiscal year 2014, equals \$128.80 per \$1,000,000 of transaction valuation. The transaction valuation set forth above was calculated for the sole purpose of determining the filing fee, and should not be used or relied upon for any other purpose.

"Check box if any part of the fee is offset as provided by Rule 0-11(a)(2) and identify the filing with which the offsetting fee was previously paid. Identify the previous filing by registration statement number, or the Form or Schedule and the date of its filing.

Amount Previously Paid: Not applicable. Form or Registration No.: Not applicable.

Filing party: Not applicable. Date filed: Not applicable.

"Check the box if the filing relates solely to preliminary communications made before the commencement of a tender offer.

Check the appropriate boxes below to designate any transactions to which the statement relates:

"third party tender offer subject to Rule 14d-1.

b issuer tender offer subject to Rule 13e-4.

- " going-private transaction subject to Rule 13e-3.
- " amendment to Schedule 13D under Rule 13d-2.

Check the following box if the filing is a final amendment reporting the results of the tender offer.

INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT

As required by, pursuant to the terms of and subject to the conditions set forth in the indenture, dated as of February 18, 2004 (the "Indenture"), between Safeguard Scientifics, Inc., a Pennsylvania corporation (the "Company"), and U.S. Bank National Association (as successor in interest to Wachovia Bank, National Association, the initial Trustee), for the Company's 2.625% Convertible Senior Debentures due 2024 (the "Securities"), this Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO ("Schedule TO") is filed by the Company with respect to the right of each holder (the "Holder") of the Securities to sell and the obligation of the Company to repurchase the Securities as set forth in the Company Repurchase Notice for 2.625% Convertible Senior Debentures due 2024, dated March 11, 2014 (the "Company Notice"), and the related notice materials filed as exhibits to this Schedule TO (which Company Notice and related notice materials, as amended or supplemented from time to time, collectively constitute the "Put Option").

This Schedule TO is intended to satisfy the disclosure requirements of Rules 13e-4(c)(2) and 13e-4(d)(1) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Items 1 through 9.

The Company is the issuer of the Securities and is obligated to repurchase all of the Securities if validly surrendered by the Holders under the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Put Option. The Securities are convertible into cash and shares of common stock, \$0.10 par value per share, of the Company, if any, subject to the terms, conditions and adjustments specified in the Indenture and the Securities. The Company maintains its registered and principal executive offices at 435 Devon Park Drive, Building 800, Wayne, PA 19087 and the telephone number there is (610) 293-0600. As permitted by General Instruction F to Schedule TO, all of the information set forth in the Put Option is incorporated by reference into this Schedule TO.

Item 10. Financial Statements.

- (a) Pursuant to Instruction 2 to Item 10 of Schedule TO, the Company's financial condition is not material to a Holder's decision whether to surrender the Securities to the Company because (i) the consideration being paid to Holders surrendering Securities consists solely of cash, (ii) the Put Option is not subject to any financing conditions, (iii) the Put Option applies to all outstanding Securities and (iv) the Company is a public reporting company that files reports electronically on EDGAR. The financial condition and results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries are reported electronically on EDGAR on a consolidated basis.
- (b) Not applicable.

Item 11. Additional Information.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.

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- (a)(1)(A) Issuer Repurchase Notice for 2.625% Convertible Senior Debentures due 2024, dated March 11, 2014.
- (a)(1)(B) Form W-9.
- (a)(5) Press release issued by the Company on March 11, 2014.
- (b) Not applicable
- (c) Not applicable
- (d) Indenture, dated as of February 18, 2004, between the Company, as issuer, and U.S. Bank National Association, (as successors in interest to Wachovia Bank, National Association, the initial trustee) as Trustee, incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.10 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 15, 2004.
- (g) Not applicable.
- (h) Not applicable.

Item 13. Information Required by Schedule 13E-3.

Not applicable.

SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this Schedule TO is true, complete and correct.

SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS, INC.

By: /s/ Brian J. Sisko

Brian J. Sisko

Chief Operating Officer, Executive Vice President

and Managing Director

Date: March 11, 2014

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

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