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): July 29, 2022



<u>Cemtrex Inc.</u>

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

| Delaware | 001-37464 | 30-0399914 |
|--|--------------|---------------------|
| (State or other jurisdiction | (Commission | (I.R.S. Employer |
| of incorporation) | File Number) | Identification No.) |
| 276 Greenpoint Ave I | 11101 | |
| Brooklyn, | 11101 | |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | | (Zip Code) |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (631) 756-9116

(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 (17CFR 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))

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 \Box

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.

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

| Title of each class | Trading symbol | Name of each exchange on which registered |
|--------------------------|----------------|---|
| Common Stock | CETX | Nasdaq Capital Market |
| Series 1 Preferred Stock | CETXP | Nasdaq Capital Market |
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Item 3.01 Notice of Delisting or Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule or Standard; Transfer of Listing.

On July 29, 2022, Cemtrex, Inc. (the "Company") received a notification letter from the Listing Qualifications Department of The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC ("Nasdaq") notifying the Company that, because the closing bid price for the Company's Series 1 preferred stock listed on Nasdaq was below \$1.00 for 30 consecutive trading days, the Company no longer meets the minimum bid price requirement for continued listing on The Nasdaq Capital Market under Nasdaq Marketplace Rule 5550(a)(2), requiring a minimum bid price of \$1.00 per share (the "Minimum Bid Price Requirement").

The notification has no immediate effect on the listing of the Company's Series 1 preferred stock. In accordance with Nasdaq Marketplace Rule 5810(c)(3)(A), the Company has a period of 180 calendar days from the date of notification, or until January 25, 2023, to regain compliance with the Minimum Bid Price Requirement. If at any time before January 25, 2023, the bid price of the Company's Series 1 preferred stock closes at or above \$1.00 per share for a minimum of 10 consecutive business days, Nasdaq will provide written notification that the Company has achieved compliance with the Minimum Bid Price Requirement.

The notification letter also disclosed that in the event the Company does not regain compliance with the Minimum Bid Price Requirement by January 25, 2023, the Company may be eligible for additional time. To qualify for additional time, the Company would be required to meet the continued listing requirement for market value of publicly held shares and all other initial listing standards for The Nasdaq Capital Market, with the exception of the bid price requirement, and would need to provide written notice of its intention to cure the deficiency during the second compliance period, by effecting a reverse stock split, if necessary. If the Company meets these requirements,

Nasdaq will inform the Company that it has been granted an additional 180 calendar days to regain compliance. However, if it appears to the staff of Nasdaq (the "Staff") that the Company will not be able to cure the deficiency, or if the Company is otherwise not eligible, the Staff would notify the Company that its securities will be subject to delisting. In the event of such notification, the Company may appeal the Staff's determination to delist its securities, but there can be no assurance the Staff would grant the Company's request for continued listing.

The Company intends to continue actively monitoring the bid price for its Series 1 preferred stock between now and January 25, 2023, and will consider available options to resolve the deficiency and regain compliance with the Minimum Bid Price Requirement.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

| Exhibit Number | Exhibit Title |
|----------------|---|
| 99.1 | Notice of Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule from NASDAQ Dated July 29, 2022 |
| 104 | Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document) |
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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.

CEMTREX, INC.

Date: August 3, 2022

By: /s/ Saagar Govil Saagar Govil Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

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EXHIBIT 99.1



Sent via Electronic Delivery to: sgovil@cemtrex.com

July 29, 2022

Mr. Saagar Govil Chairman of the Board, CEO, President & Secretary Cemtrex Inc. 276 Greenpoint Ave, Bld 8, Ste 208 Brooklyn, NY 11222

Re: Cemtrex Inc. (the "Company") Nasdaq Security: Series 1 Preferred Stock Nasdaq Symbol: CETXP

Dear Mr. Govil:

As we discussed, our Listing Rules (the "Rules") require listed securities to maintain a minimum bid price of \$1 per share. Based upon the closing bid price for the last 30 consecutive business days, the Company no longer meets this requirement.¹ However, the Rules also provide the Company a compliance period of 180 calendar days in which to regain compliance.

If at any time during this 180 day period the closing bid price of the Company's security is at least \$1 for a*minimum* of ten consecutive business days, we will provide you written confirmation of compliance and this matter will be closed. Please note that if the Company chooses to implement a reverse stock split, it must complete the split no later than ten business days prior to the expiration date in the table below in order to regain compliance.²

In the event the Company does not regain compliance, the Company may be eligible for additional time. To qualify, the Company will be required to meet the continued listing requirement for market value of publicly held shares and all other initial listing standards for The Nasdaq Capital Market, with the exception of the bid price requirement, and will need to provide written notice of its intention to cure the deficiency during the second compliance period, by effecting a reverse stock split, if necessary. If the Company meets these requirements, we will inform the Company that it has been granted an additional 180 calendar days. However, if it appears to Staff that the Company will not be able to cure the deficiency, or if the Company is otherwise not eligible, we will provide notice that its securities will be subject to delisting.³

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Our Rules require that the Company promptly disclose receipt of this letter by either filing a Form 8-K, where required by SEC rules, or by issuing a press release. The announcement needs to be made no later than four business days from the date of this letter and must include the continued listing criteria that the Company does not meet, and a description of each specific basis and concern identified by Nasdaq in reaching the determination.⁴ The Company must also provide a copy of the announcement to Nasdaq's MarketWatch Department at least 10 minutes prior to its public release.⁵ Please note that if you do not make the required announcement trading in your securities will be halted.⁶

The following table summarizes the critical dates and information as related to this matter.

| Period below \$1.00 bid price | Expiration of 180 calendar day compliance period | Public Announcement Due Date | Relevant Listing Rules |
|-------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| June 14, 2022 | January 25, 2023 | August 4, 2022 | 5550(a)(2) – bid price |
| to | | | $5810(c)(3)(A)^7$ – compliance period |
| July 28, 2022 | | | 5810(b) – public disclosure |
| | | | 5505 – Capital Market criteria |

Finally, an indicator will be displayed with quotation information related to the Company's securities on NASDAQ.com and NASDAQTrader.com and may be displayed by other third party providers of market data information. Also, a list of all non-compliant Nasdaq companies and the basis for such non-compliance is posted on our website at <u>listingcenter.nasdaq.com</u>. The Company will be included in this list commencing five business days from the date of this letter.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at +1 301 978 8072. Sincerely,

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Rachel Scherr Listing Analyst Nasdaq Listing Qualifications

¹ For online access to all Nasdaq Rules, please see "Nasdaq Online Resources," included with this letter.

² For additional information with respect to compliance periods please see the "Nasdaq Online Resources" on the attached page and access the link "Frequently Asked Questions" related to "continued listing."

³ At that time, the Company may appeal the delisting determination to a Hearings Panel.

⁷ Listing Rule 5810(c)(3)(A)(iii) states in part: "if during any compliance period specified in this Rule 5810(c)(3)(A) a Company's security has a closing bid price of \$0.10 or less for ten consecutive trading days, the Listing Qualifications Department shall issue a Staff Delisting Determination under Rule 5810 with respect to that security."

NASDAQ ONLINE RESOURCES

All of our listing information and forms are available electronically on the Listing Center. In addition to facilitating electronic submission of forms, you can also use the Listing Center to access Nasdaq's Reference Library containing hundreds of frequently asked questions and Governance Clearinghouse containing the latest updates on corporate governance and listing standards.

To help you navigate the deficiency process, we have provided links to some our most viewed resource materials.

- Board Composition and Committee Requirements
- <u>Governance Clearinghouse</u>
- <u>Hearings Process</u>
- How to Transfer to Nasdaq Capital Market
- Information about Application of Shareholder Approval Rules
- <u>Initial Listing Process</u>
- <u>Listing Fees</u>
- Listing of Additional Shares Process
- <u>MarketWatch Electronic Disclosure Submissions</u>
- <u>Nasdaq Listing Rules: Initial and Continued Listing</u>
- <u>Reference Library: Frequently Asked Questions, Staff Interpretations and Listing Council Decisions</u>

⁴ Listing Rule 5810(b). See FAQ #428 available on the <u>Nasdaq Listing Center</u>.

⁵ The notice must be submitted to Nasdaq's MarketWatch Department through the Electronic Disclosure service available a<u>hasdaq.net/ED/IssuerEntry</u>.

⁶ Listing Rule IM-5810-1.