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

**Form S-8**

**REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER  
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

**SKYPEOPLE FRUIT JUICE, INC.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Florida**

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**16F, National Development Bank,  
Tower, No. 2, Gaoxin 1st Road, Xi'an, PRC**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**98-0222013**

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

**710075**

(Zip Code)

**Skypeople Fruit Juice, Inc.  
Omnibus Equity Plan**  
(Full title of the plan)

**Hongke Xue  
Chief Executive Officer  
16F, National Development Bank  
Tower, No. 2, Gaoxin 1st Road  
Xi'an, PRC 710075**  
(Name and address of agent for service)

**86-29-88377161**  
(Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

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Washington, D.C. 20007-3501  
(202) 965-7880**

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Accelerated filer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Smaller reporting company	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

<b>Title of securities to be registered</b>	<b>Amount to be registered (1)</b>	<b>Proposed maximum offering price per share (2)</b>	<b>Proposed maximum aggregate offering price (2)</b>	<b>Amount of registration fee</b>
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	250,000	U.S. \$5.91	U.S. \$1,477,500	U.S. \$171.24

(1) SkyPeople Fruit Juice, Inc., a Florida corporation (the “Company” or “SkyPeople”), is registering 250,000 shares of Common Stock pursuant to the SkyPeople Fruit Juice, Inc. Omnibus Equity Plan (the “Plan”), which such amount was adjusted by the Plan’s administrative committee, the Company’s Compensation Committee, from 2,000,000 shares following the Company’s 1-for-8 reverse stock split effective as of March 16, 2016. Pursuant to paragraph (a) of Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), there are also registered hereunder such indeterminate number of additional shares of Common Stock as may become issuable under the Plan as a result of stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions that result in an increase in the number of the registrant’s outstanding shares of Common Stock.

(2) The offering price for these shares is estimated pursuant to Rule 457(c) and (h) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”), solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee and is based upon the average of the high and low prices of our Common Stock as quoted on the Nasdaq Global Market on February 21, 2017, a date within five business days of the filing date.

**PART I**  
**INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(A) PROSPECTUS**

The document(s) containing the information specified in this Part I of Form S-8 have been, or will be, sent or given to participating employees as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) under the Securities Act. In accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") and the Note to the instructions to Part I of Form S-8, such documents are not being filed with the Commission either as part of this registration statement or as prospectuses or prospectus supplements pursuant to Rule 424 under the Securities Act. Such documents and the documents incorporated by reference in this registration statement pursuant to Item 3 of Part II of this registration statement, taken together, constitute a prospectus that meets the requirements of Section 10(a) of the Securities Act.

**PART II**  
**INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT**

**Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.**

The Commission allows us to "incorporate by reference" the information we file with it, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is considered part of this registration statement, and later information that we file with the Commission will automatically update and supersede this information. We incorporate by reference documents listed below and any future filings made with the Commission under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, until we file a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered in this registration statement have been sold or which de-registers all securities then remaining unsold.

The following documents previously filed by the Company with the Commission are incorporated in this registration statement by reference and shall be deemed a part hereof:

1. The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2015;
2. The Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended September 30, 2016; June 30, 2016; and March 31, 2016;
3. The Company's Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on December 30, 2016; November 23, 2016; October 14, 2016; September 23, 2016; September 9, 2016; August 19, 2016; August 1, 2016; June 21, 2016; May 27, 2016; May 19, 2016; April 22, 2016; April 15, 2016; April 5, 2016; March 16, 2016 and March 15, 2016; and
4. The description of the Company's Common Stock which is contained in the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A (Registration No. 001-34502), as filed with the Commission on April 19, 2010, including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

In addition, all documents subsequently filed by the Registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14, or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, after the date of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement which indicated that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents.

Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

You may request a copy of any filings referred to above (excluding exhibits), at no cost, by contacting the Company at the following address:

Skypeople Fruit Juice, Inc.  
16F, National Development Bank Tower  
No.2, Gaoxin 1st RD  
Xi'an, Shaanxi, China, 710075  
Tel:86-29-88377161

**Item 4. Description of Securities.**

Not Applicable.

**Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.**

Not Applicable.

**Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.**

The Florida Business Corporation Act provides that a person who is successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of an action because of service as an officer or director of a corporation, is entitled to indemnification of expenses actually and reasonably incurred in such defense. Such act also provides that the corporation may indemnify an officer or director and advance expenses if such person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the corporation and, with respect to a criminal action, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. A court may order indemnification of an officer or director if it determines that such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to such indemnification in view of all the relevant circumstances.

These provisions are intended to afford directors and officers protection against, and to limit their potential liability for, monetary damages resulting from suits alleging a breach of the duty of care by a director or officer. As a consequence of this provision, shareholders of our company will be unable to recover monetary damages against directors or officers for action taken by them that may constitute negligence or gross negligence in performance of their duties unless such conduct falls within one of the foregoing exceptions. These provisions, however, do not alter the applicable standards governing a director's or officer's fiduciary duty and does not eliminate or limit the right of our Company or any shareholder to obtain an injunction or any other type of non-monetary relief in the event of a breach of fiduciary duty.

Our Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation, as amended, and Bylaws, as amended, provide, among other things, that a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation may be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees inclusive of any appeal), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such claim, action, suit or proceeding if such person acted in good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best of our interests, and with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, such person had no reasonable cause to believe that such person's conduct was unlawful.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers or persons controlling us pursuant to the foregoing provisions, we have been informed that, in the opinion of the Commission, such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is therefore unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by us of expenses incurred or paid by our director, officer or controlling person in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, we will, unless in the opinion of our counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by us is against public policy as expressed hereby in the Securities Act and we will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

At the present time, there is no pending litigation or proceeding involving a director, officer, employee or other agent of ours in which indemnification would be required or permitted. We are not aware of any threatened litigation or proceeding, which may result in a claim for such indemnification.

**Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.**

Not Applicable.

**Item 8. Exhibits.**

The following exhibits are filed as part of this registration statement:

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4.1	Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Registrant. Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on March 3, 2008.
4.2	Articles of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation dated October 28, 2009. Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on October 29, 2009.
4.3	Certificate of Designations, Preferences and Rights of the Registrant's Series A Convertible Preferred Stock. Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the February 28, 2008 8-K.
4.4	Certificate of Designations, Preferences, Rights and Limitations of the Registrant's Series B Convertible Preferred Stock. Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the February 28, 2008 8-K.
4.5	Bylaws of Entech, Inc. Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.5 to the March 3, 2008 8-K.
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5.1	Opinion of Garvey Schubert Barer*
23.1	Consent of Armanino LLP*
23.2	Consent of Jia Roger Qian Wang*
23.3	Consent of Garvey Schubert Barer (included in its opinion filed as Exhibit 5.1 hereto).
24.1	Powers of Attorney (see signature pages to this registration statement)

\* Filed herewith.

## Item 9. Undertakings

### (a) RULE 415 OFFERING.

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement;

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

*provided, however*, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) do not apply if the registration statement is on Form S-8 and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to section 13(a) or section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers, and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the city of Xi'an, Shaanxi Province, People's Republic of China on February 23, 2017.

**Skypeople Fruit Juice, Inc.**  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Hongke Xue  
Hongke Xue  
Chief Executive Officer and  
Chairman of the Board of Directors

**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below appoints Hongke Xue as his true and lawful attorney-in-fact, , for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including any post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement on Form S-8, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and any other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent , may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue thereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated as of February , 2017.

<u>Name and Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
<u>/s/ Yongke Xue</u> Yongke Xue, Director	February 23, 2017
<u>/s/ Hanjun Zheng</u> Hanjun Zheng, Interim Chief Financial Officer (principal financial officer and accounting officer)	February 23, 2017
<u>/s/ Hongke Xue</u> Hongke Xue, Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer)	February 23, 2017
<u>/s/ Guolin Wang</u> Guolin Wang, Director	February 23, 2017
<u>/s/ Johnson Lau</u> Johnson Lau, Director	February 23, 2017
<u>/s/ Fuyou Li</u> Fuyou Li, Director	February 23, 2017

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