

LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INC

Form 8-K

May 15, 2006

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**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): May 15, 2006

LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-20720

(Commission File Number)

**10275 Science Center Drive,
San Diego, California**

(Address of principal executive offices)

(858) 550-7500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

77-0160744

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

92121-1117

(Zip Code)

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On May 15, 2006, the registrant reported its financial results for its first quarter ended March 31, 2006. A copy of the press release issued by the registrant on May 15, 2006 concerning the foregoing results is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements And Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release of the Company dated May 15, 2006

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned.

LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED

Date : May 15, 2006

By: /s/ Warner Broaddus
Name: Warner Broaddus
Title: Vice President, General Counsel
& Secretary