

LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
Form 8-K  
February 23, 2017

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

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FORM 8-K

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CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 23, 2017

LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

001-33093

(Commission File Number)

77-0160744

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

3911 Sorrento Valley Boulevard, Suite 110 San Diego, CA

(Address of principal executive offices)  
(858) 550-7500

92121

(Zip Code)

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

N/A

(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 (17 CFR 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))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 23, 2017, Ligand Pharmaceuticals Incorporated (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2016. A copy of this press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2. of Form 8-K, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release dated February 23, 2017.

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SIGNATURES

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

LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Matthew Korenberg

Date: February 23, 2017 Name: Matthew Korenberg

Title: Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer