

LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
 Form 4/A  
 September 21, 2006

**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 BLISSENBACH HENRY F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INC [LGND]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 10275 SCIENCE CENTER DRIVE  
 (Street)  
 SAN DIEGO, CA 92121  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 08/03/2006  
 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  
 08/04/2006

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 President, CEO & Chairman  
 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 9.2	08/03/2006	A	150,000					<sup>(2)</sup>	08/03/2016	Common Stock	150,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BLISSENBACH HENRY F 10275 SCIENCE CENTER DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121	X		President, CEO & Chairman	

## Signatures

By: Barbara J. Olson For: Henry F. Blissenbach  
 Date: 09/21/2006  
\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The 150,000 options granted on August 3, 2006 are Employee Stock Options not Non-Qualified Stock Options as reported on the Form 4 filed on August 4, 2006.
- (2) Grant to reporting person of options 50% at 6 months and remaining 50% at the end of one year, except that all of these stock options will vest upon the appointment of the new CEO.
- (3) No price applies.

### Remarks:

On August 4, 2006, the reporting person filed a Form 4 which mistakenly included a 7/27/06 grant of 10,000 options which did not vest. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.