LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INC Form 8-K

July 17, 2014

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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 17, 2014 LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware 77-0160744
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

11119 North Torrey Pines Road, Suite 200 92037 La Jolla, CA (Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

(858) 550-7500

(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:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On July 17, 2014, Ligand Pharmaceuticals Incorporated (the "Company" or "Ligand") issued a press release announcing expected revenue for the quarter ended June 30, 2014. A copy of this press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2. of Form 8-K, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the press release attached hereto as 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 8.01 Other Events.

On July 17, 2014, the Company issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors has authorized the Company to repurchase up to \$10.0 million of its common stock from time to time in open-market transactions over the next 12 months.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release of the Company dated July 17, 2014.

SIGNATURES

Date: July 17, 2014

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

LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Nishan de Silva Name: Nishan de Silva

Title: Vice President, Finance and Strategy and Chief Financial

Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

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