PDL BIOPHARMA, INC. Form 8-K August 30, 2006

UNITED STATES

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):

August 30, 2006

PDL BioPharma, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

000-19756 (Commission File No.) 94-3023969 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation)

34801 Campus Drive

Identification No.)

Fremont, California 94555

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

(510) 574-1400

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On August 30, 2006, PDL BioPharma, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that Roche has discontinued its involvement in the development of daclizumab in asthma, which both Roche and the Company had been co-developing since 2004. A copy of this press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this current report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release of PDL BioPharma, Inc. issued August 30, 2006 regarding Roche s discontinuation of co-development of daclizumab in asthma

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SIGNATURES

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

Date: August 30, 2006

PDL BioPharma, Inc.

By: /s/ Andrew Guggenhime Andrew Guggenhime Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer