LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INC

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Last)

Common

Common

Stock

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MAIER PAUL V Issuer Symbol LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INC [LGND]

(Check all applicable) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner

X_ Officer (give title

Sr. V-P, CFO

D

D

(Month/Day/Year) 11/16/2006

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Middle)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

Person

\$ 11.46 84,951

9.3125

86,051

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(First)

10275 SCIENCE CENTER DRIVE

11/16/2006

11/16/2006

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	or Beneficiall	y 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. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	(A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	11/16/2006		S	4,577	D	\$ 11.35	86,551	D	
Common Stock	11/16/2006		S	1,600	D	\$ 11.37	84,951	D	
Common Stock	11/16/2006		M	400	A	\$ 9.3125	85,351	D	

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M

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Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	1,100	D	\$ 11.45	84,951	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	M	5,800	A	\$ 9.3125	90,751	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	5,800	D	\$ 11.44	84,951	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	M	200	A	\$ 9.3125	85,151	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	200	D	\$ 11.42	84,951	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	M	500	A	\$ 9.3125	85,451	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	500	D	\$ 11.41	84,951	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	M	300	A	\$ 9.3125	85,251	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	300	D	\$ 11.4	84,951	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	M	3,800	A	\$ 9.3125	88,751	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	3,800	D	\$ 11.39	84,951	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	M	600	A	\$ 9.3125	85,551	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	600	D	\$ 11.38	84,951	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	M	100	A	\$ 9.3125	85,051	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	100	D	\$ 11.37		D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	M	2,438	A	\$ 9.3125	87,389	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	2,438	D	\$ 11.36	84,951	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	M	3,895	A	\$ 9.3125	88,846	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	3,895	D	\$ 11.35	84,951	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	M	195	A	\$ 9.3125	85,146	D
	11/16/2006	S	195	D	\$ 11.34	84,951	D

Common Stock							
Common Stock	11/16/2006	M	1,200	A	\$ 9.3125	86,151	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	1,200	D	\$ 11.31	84,951	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	M	4,551	A	\$ 9.3125	89,502	D
Common Stock	11/16/2006	S	4,551	D	\$ 11.3	84,951	D

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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	8	ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	int of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Relationships

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			-	
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

MAIER PAUL V

10275 SCIENCE CENTER DRIVE Sr. V-P, CFO

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

Signatures

By: Barbara J. Olson For: Paul V.
Maier

11/20/2006

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**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).

Remarks:

The Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) includes 1,818 shares acquired under the Li 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.

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