

GENENTECH INC  
Form 8-K  
January 15, 2009

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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): January 15, 2009

GENENTECH, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

1-9813  
(Commission  
File Number)

94-2347624  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

1 DNA Way  
South San Francisco, California 94080-4990  
(Address of principal executive offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (650) 225-1000

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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

(17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



Item 2.02. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

This information shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

On January 15, 2009, Genentech, Inc., a Delaware corporation, issued a press release announcing earnings for the year and fourth quarter ended December 31, 2008. A copy of the earnings press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

The attached press release contains both GAAP and non-GAAP financial measures. The non-GAAP financial measures include operating revenue, net income, earnings per share (EPS), royalty revenue, cost of sales (COS), research and development (R&D) expenses, marketing, general and administrative (MG&A) expenses, COS as a percentage of product sales, R&D as a percentage of operating revenues, MG&A as a percentage of operating revenues, and depreciation and amortization expense. These non-GAAP financial measures exclude the after-tax effects of recurring charges related to the 1999 redemption of our common stock by Roche Holdings, Inc. (the Redemption), litigation-related and similar special items, employee stock-based compensation expense under Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123R, certain items associated with the acquisition of Tanox, Inc., including an in-process R&D expense and a gain pursuant to the Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) issue 04-1 (both of which were non-recurring items in the third quarter of 2007), asset impairment charges in the third quarter of 2008, recognition of deferred royalty revenue and recurring amortization of intangible assets, and charges associated with supporting a special committee of the Board of Directors (the Special Committee) in connection with Roche’s proposal to acquire all of the outstanding shares of Genentech stock it does not already own.

The attached press release includes non-GAAP financial measures because our management uses this information to monitor and evaluate our operating results and trends on an on-going basis and to facilitate internal comparison to historical operating results. In addition, our management uses non-GAAP financial information and measures internally for operating, budgeting and financial planning purposes. Our management excludes the effects of the Redemption-related charges; litigation-related and similar special items; the in-process R&D charge, recognition of deferred royalty revenue, asset impairment charges, recurring amortization of intangible assets and EITF 04-1 gain resulting from our acquisition of Tanox, Inc.; and charges associated with supporting the Special Committee because those amounts were the result of transactions that are unusual due to their nature, size or infrequency. Our management excludes the effects of employee stock-based compensation because of varying available valuation methodologies, subjective assumptions and the variety of award types; such exclusion facilitates both comparisons of our operating results to our peer companies and comparison of our financial results to any previous periods during which our equity-based awards were not required to be reflected on our income statements. Additionally, management excludes the tax effects of the items noted above in order to present a more meaningful measure of non-GAAP net income and EPS. Our management believes the non-GAAP information is useful for investors by offering them the ability to facilitate comparisons to historical operating results, better identify trends in our business, and better understand how management evaluates our business.

These non-GAAP measures have limitations, however, because they do not include all items of income and expense that affect Genentech, Inc. The non-GAAP financial measures we use are not prepared in accordance with, and should not be considered in isolation of, or as an alternative to, measurements required by GAAP.

Item 8.01. OTHER EVENTS

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A copy of our consolidated statements of income for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2008, selected consolidated balance sheets data at December 31, 2008 and selected consolidated cash flow data for the twelve months ended December 31, 2008, prepared in accordance with GAAP, is filed as Exhibit 99.2 to this report.

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Item 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.

99.1 Earnings Press Release of Genentech, Inc. dated January 15, 2009.

99.2 Consolidated Statements of Income and Selected Consolidated Financial Data

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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.

GENENTECH, INC.

Date: January 15,  
2009

/s/ARTHUR D. LEVINSON

Arthur D. Levinson, Ph.D.  
Chairman and Chief Executive  
Officer

Date: January 15,  
2009

/s/DAVID A. EBERSMAN

David A. Ebersman  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: January 15,  
2009

/s/ROBERT E. ANDREATTA

Robert E. Andreatta  
Vice President, Controller and  
Chief Accounting Officer

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