

ALPHARMA INC  
Form DFAN14A  
August 22, 2008

**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 22, 2008 (August 22, 2008)  
King Pharmaceuticals, Inc.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Tennessee**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**001-15875**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**54-1684963**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**501 Fifth Street,  
Bristol, Tennessee**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**37620**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (423) 989-8000  
N/A

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))
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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On August 22, 2008, King Pharmaceuticals, Inc. ( King ) issued a press release announcing its proposal to acquire all of the outstanding shares of common stock of Alpharma Inc. ( Alpharma ). The proposal was communicated on August 22, 2008 in a letter to the Board of Directors of Alpharma. The press release announcing the proposal, including the full text of the proposal letter delivered to the Board of Directors of Alpharma, is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and is incorporated herein by this reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 King Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Press Release, dated August 22, 2008.

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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.

KING PHARMACEUTICALS, INC

By: /s/ Joseph Squicciarino  
Joseph Squicciarino  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: August 22, 2008

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
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