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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

JANUARY 3, 2008

NOVO NORDISK A/S
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

NOVO ALLE
DK-2880, BAGSVAERD
DENMARK
(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports
under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information
contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the
Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in
connection with Rule 12g-32(b): 82-_____

TREASURY STOCK

STATUS RE NOVO NORDISK'S HOLDING OF ITS OWN SHARES (31 DECEMBER 2007)

In continuation of the company's announcement dated 31 January 2007 concerning a
planned share repurchase programme, and pursuant to Section 204.25 of the New
York Stock Exchange Listed Company Manual, this is to report that Novo Nordisk
A/S (NYSE: NVO) and its wholly-owned affiliates on 31 December 2007 owned

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25,815,130 of its own B shares of DKK 1, corresponding to a total nominal value of DKK 25,815,130 or 3.99% of the total share capital. Hereof the wholly-owned affiliates owned 198,000 B shares of DKK 1, corresponding to a total nominal value of DKK 198,000 or 0.03% of the total share capital.

At the end of the third quarter 2007, Novo Nordisk A/S owned 9,925,484 of its own B shares of DKK 2 (see Stock Exchange Announcement no 26/2007). Due to a two for one stock split on 3 December 2007 (see Stock Exchange Announcement no 33/2007) these shares now represent 19,850,968 B shares of DKK 1.

Using a trading unit of DKK 1 for Novo Nordisk A/S B shares throughout the fourth quarter, the number of B shares repurchased by Novo Nordisk A/S in the fourth quarter of 2007 was 6,223,512 B shares of DKK 1, and the number of shares disposed of to employees who exercised options granted by Novo Nordisk was 259,350 B shares of DKK 1.

Novo Nordisk is a healthcare company and a world leader in diabetes care. The company has the broadest diabetes product portfolio in the industry, including the most advanced products within the area of insulin delivery systems. In addition, Novo Nordisk has a leading position within areas such as haemostasis management, growth hormone therapy and hormone replacement therapy. Novo Nordisk manufactures and markets pharmaceutical products and services that make a significant difference to patients, the medical profession and society. With headquarters in Denmark, Novo Nordisk employs approximately 25,800 full-time employees in 79 countries, and markets its products in 179 countries. Novo Nordisk's B shares are listed on the stock exchanges in Copenhagen and London. Its ADRs are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol 'NVO'. For more information, visit novonordisk.com.

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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 of the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: JANUARY 3, 2008

NOVO NORDISK A/S

Lars Rebien Sorensen,
President and Chief Executive Officer