LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INC Form SC 13D/A September 30, 2005

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D (Amendment No.1)

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934*

Ligand Pharmaceuticals Incorporated

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

53220K207

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

Daniel S. Loeb Third Point LLC 390 Park Avenue New York, NY 10022 (212) 224-7400

(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

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September 30, 2005

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Schedule)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition which is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of ss.ss. 240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box: []

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but shall be subject to all other provisions of the \mbox{Act} (however, see the \mbox{Notes}).

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1	NAME OF R		PERSON IION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS	(ENTITIES ONLY)		
	Daniel S. Loeb					
2	CHECK THE	HECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) [] (b) [X]				
3	SEC USE ONLY					
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS*					
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	9.47%
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
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	Third Point LLC I.D. #13-3922602					
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	9.47%
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)
	Third Point Offshore Fund, Ltd.
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) [] (b) [X]
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This Amendment No. 1 (the "Amendment") amends the Schedule 13D filed on September 23, 2005 (the "Schedule 13D") and is being filed on behalf of Third Point LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "Management Company"), Third Point Offshore Fund, Ltd., a Cayman Island limited liability exempted company (the "Offshore Fund"), and Daniel S. Loeb, an individual ("Mr. Loeb" and, together with the Management Company and the Offshore Fund, the "Reporting Persons"). This Schedule 13D relates to the common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of Ligand Pharmaceuticals Incorporated, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"). Unless the context otherwise requires, references herein to the "Common Stock" are to such common stock of the Company. The Management Company is the investment manager or adviser to a variety of hedge funds and managed accounts (such funds and accounts, collectively, including but not limited to the Offshore Fund, the "Funds"). The Funds directly own the Common Stock to which this Schedule 13D relates, and the Reporting Persons may be deemed to have beneficial ownership over such Common Stock by virtue of their ownership or the authority granted to them by the Funds to vote and to dispose of the securities held by the Funds, including the Common Stock.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

Item 4 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended by adding thereto the following: $\ensuremath{\text{c}}$

The Reporting Persons sent a letter to the Company on September 30, 2005, demanding, among other things, that (i) a special committee of directors be established to maximize value for shareholders; (ii) all possible resources be devoted to work with the Company's auditors at BDO Seidman to issue financial statements; and (iii) the Company's "poison pill" immediately be rescinded or the trigger threshold increased from 10% to 20% so that the Reporting Persons may increase their stake in the Company.

A copy of the complete letter is attached as Exhibit 1 to this Amendment and incorporated herein by reference.

- Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.
 - 1. Letter dated September 30, 2005 to David E. Robinson.

SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of our knowledge and belief, the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: September 30, 2005

THIRD POINT LLC

By: /s/ Daniel S. Loeb

Name: Daniel S. Loeb

Title: Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Daniel S. Loeb

Daniel S. Loeb

[SIGNATURE PAGE TO AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO SCHEDULE 13D WITH RESPECT TO LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED]