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 FARLIEST EVENT REPORTED).

DATE OF REPORT (DATE OF EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED):

August 18, 2005

GILEAD SCIENCES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction of

0-19731 (Commission File Number)

94-3047598 (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation or organization)

Identification No.)

333 LAKESIDE DRIVE, FOSTER CITY, CALIFORNIA

(Address of principal executive offices)

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(Zip Code)

(650) 574-3000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

SECTION 8 OTHER EVENTS

Item 8.01 Other Events

On August 18, 2005, Gilead Sciences, Inc., a Delaware corporation, issued a press release announcing the amendment of the stock trading plan under Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, established on August 16, 2004 by James M. Denny, Gilead s non-executive Chairman of the Board. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

SECTION 9 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

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99.1

Press Release, issued by Gilead Sciences, Inc. on August 18, 2005.

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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.

GILEAD SCIENCES, INC.

(Registrant)

/s/ John F. Milligan

John F. Milligan

Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

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