

SCHERING PLOUGH CORP  
Form 8-K  
March 09, 2009

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): March 9, 2009**

**SCHERING-PLOUGH CORPORATION**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

New Jersey  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

1-6571  
(Commission File Number)

22-1918501  
(IRS Employer  
Identification Number)

2000 Galloping Hill Road  
Kenilworth, NJ 07033

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (908) 298-4000

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On March 9, 2009, Schering-Plough Corporation ( Schering-Plough ) issued a joint press release with Merck & Co., Inc. ( Merck ) announcing the execution of an Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of March 9, 2009, by and among Schering-Plough, Merck, Blue, Inc., a New Jersey corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of Schering-Plough, and Purple, Inc., a New Jersey corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of Schering-Plough. A copy of the joint press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

| <u>Number</u> | <u>Description</u>                  |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| 99.1          | Press Release, dated March 9, 2009. |

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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.

Schering-Plough Corporation

By: /s/ Michael Pressman \_\_\_\_\_  
Michael Pressman  
Deputy Secretary

Date: March 9, 2009

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