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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) December 13, 2006 ALPHARMA INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 1-8593 22-2095212

(State or Other Jurisdiction of (Commission (I.R.S. Employer Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

One Executive Drive Fort Lee, New Jersey

07024

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number including area code (201) 947-7774

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:

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On December 13, 2006, Alpharma Inc., a Delaware corporation (the Company), issued a press release announcing that the Company has entered into a definitive agreement with A.L. Industrier ASA (ALI), to repurchase 100% of the outstanding Class B shares of the Company for \$25.50 per share in cash (the Transaction). The Class B Stock represents 21.7% of the total outstanding common stock as of September 30, 2006. ALI, a Norwegian company, is able to control the Company through its ability to elect more than a majority of the Board of Directors of the Company and to cast a majority of the votes in any non-class vote of the Company s stockholders. The Transaction is contingent upon approval of the shareholders of ALI. The Transaction is expected to close in the fourth quarter of 2006.

The press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The press release should be read together with the information contained in the reports that the Company files with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

This information is being furnished under Items 7.01 and 9.01 and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liability of such section. Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release, dated December 13, 2006.

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SIGNATURE

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.

Dated: December 13, 2006 ALPHARMA INC.

By: /s/ Jeffrey S. Campbell

Name: Jeffrey S. Campbell

Title: Vice President, Finance and

Interim Chief Financial Officer

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99.1 Press Release issued by the Company on December 13, 2006.