

CANCERVAX CORP  
Form 8-K  
February 17, 2005

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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 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): **February 17, 2005**

**CANCERVAX CORPORATION**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**0-50440**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**52-2243564**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**2110 Rutherford Road, Carlsbad, CA**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**92008**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(760) 494-4200**

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(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report.)

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)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On February 17, 2005, CancerVax Corporation issued a press release announcing its unaudited financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2004. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2. of Form 8-K, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

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

(c) Exhibits.

**Exhibit No. Description**

99.1 Press release dated February 17, 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.

CANCERVAX CORPORATION

Date: February 17, 2005

By: /s/ William R. LaRue

Name: William R. LaRue

Title: Chief Financial Officer

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<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release dated February 17, 2005.