LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS INC

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Loeb Daniel S Issuer Symbol LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS (Check all applicable) INC [LGND] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner __X__ Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) below) THIRD POINT LLC, 390 PARK 03/26/2007 Former Director (1) **AVENUE** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(State) (Zip) (City) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired (A) 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect Following (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price Code V Amount See Common 03/26/2007 S 5,720,000 D 2,027,378 I footnote Stock (2)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Loeb Daniel S THIRD POINT LLC 390 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022

Former Director (1)

Signatures

DANIEL S. LOEB, /s/ Justin Nadler, Attorney-in-Fact

03/28/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Remarks:

- (1) On March 1, 2007, Mr. Loeb resigned as a director of the Issuer. This Form 4 is being filed pursuant to Rule 16a-2(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), to report the sale of securities owned by the Funds.
- (2) 2,005,000 shares of common stock are owned by certain funds managed by Third Point LLC (the "Funds"). Daniel S. Loeb is the Chief Executive Officer of Third Point LLC. By reason of the provisions of Rule 16a-1 of the Exchange Act, Third Point and Mr. Loeb may be deemed to be the beneficial owners of the securities beneficially owned by the Funds. Pursuant to an arrangement between Third Point and Mr. Loeb, the Funds are entitled to all economic benefits attaching to 2,378 shares which were granted by the Issuer to Mr. Loeb in connection with his service as a member of the Issuer's board of directors (the "Board"). Also in connection with his service as a member of the Board, Mr. Loeb received an option grant that became exercisable for 20,000 shares on December 8, 2006. Third Point LLC and Mr. Loeb each disclaim beneficial ownership of all such securities, except to the extent of any direct or indirect pecuniary interest therein.

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