GENENTECH INC Form 8-K October 05, 2004

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): October 4, 2004

GENENTECH, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware1-981394-2347624(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)(Commission
File Number)(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1 DNA Way South San Francisco, California 94080-4990

(Address of principal executive offices and Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (650) 225-1000

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):

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

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ITEM 8.01. OTHER EVENTS

On October 4, 2004, Genentech, Inc. announced it received a subpoena from the U.S. Attorney s Office for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, requesting documents related to the promotion of Rituxan® (rituximab), a prescription treatment for relapsed or refractory, low-grade or follicular, CD20 positive, B-cell non-Hodgkin s lymphoma. A copy of the press release containing the announcement is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by this reference.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

- (c) Exhibits
 - 99.1 Press Release of Genentech, Inc. dated October 4, 2004.

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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.

Dated: October 5, 2004 By: /s/ STEPHEN G. JUELSGAARD

Stephen G. Juelsgaard

Executive Vice President, General

Counsel and Secretary

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Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release of Genentech, Inc. dated October 4, 2004.