

WEST PHARMACEUTICAL SERVICES INC

Form 8-K

December 16, 2005

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, 2005

WEST PHARMACEUTICAL SERVICES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania
(State or other jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

1-8036
(Commission File Number)

23-1210010
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

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101 Gordon Drive, PO Box 645, Lionville,
PA
(Address of principal executive offices)

19341-0645
(Zip Code)

610-594-2900

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

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

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principle Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

(d) On December 13, 2005, the Board of Directors of West Pharmaceutical Services, Inc. (the Company) increased the size of the Board to 12 directors from 11 and elected Jenne K. Britell, Ph.D. to the Company's Board of Directors as a Class III director. Dr. Britell will stand for re-election by the Company's shareholders at the 2006 Annual Meeting for a two-year term. Dr. Britell has not yet been named to any of the committees of the Board of Directors.

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.

WEST PHARMACEUTICAL SERVICES, INC.

/s/ John R. Gailey III
John R. Gailey III
Vice President, General Counsel

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