## Edgar Filing: HERCULES INC - Form 8-K

HERCULES INC Form 8-K December 18, 2003

> 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 16, 2003

Hercules Incorporated (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

51-0023450 Delaware 001-00496 \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification

incorporation)

Hercules Plaza 1313 North Market Street Wilmington, Delaware 19894-0001 \_\_\_\_\_ (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(302) 594-5000 \_\_\_\_\_ (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Item 5. Other Events and Regulations FD Disclosure

On December 16, 2003, Hercules Incorporated ("Hercules") issued a press release, which is attached as an exhibit to this Form 8-K, to announce that the proposed acquisition of Meraklon S.p.A. remains pending. The Company further advised that the closing would not be completed by the end of year 2003 since the regulatory approval process is taking longer than expected.

- Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits
  - (c) Exhibits.
  - 99.1 Press Release of Hercules Incorporated dated December 16, 2003.

## Edgar Filing: HERCULES INC - Form 8-K

2

## SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

December 18, 2003 By: HERCULES INCORPORATED

/s/ Fred G. Aanonsen
----Fred G. Aanonsen

Vice President and Controller

3

## EXHIBIT INDEX

Number	Exhibit
99.1	Press Release of Hercules Incorporated dated December 16, 2003