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# 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): July 25, 2005 ALKERMES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

PENNSYLVANIA1-1413123-2472830(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)(Commission (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

88 Sidney Street 02139
Cambridge, Massachusetts (Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (617) 494-0171

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#### Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On July 25 2005, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Alkermes, Inc. approved the Alkermes January 1, 2005 to March 31, 2006 Named Executive Bonus Plan (the Bonus Plan ) and established bonus awards that may be earned for the period January 1, 2005 to March 31, 2006 under the Bonus Plan by the Company s named executive officers, currently Alkermes Chief Executive Officer (CEO), President and Chief Operating Officer (COO), Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (CFO), Vice President Corporate Development (VPCD), and Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary (GC) (each a Participant). The size of the overall bonus pool shall be determined by the Compensation Committee based on Company performance against the Bonus Plan objectives and target bonuses. Target bonus ranges determined by the Compensation Committee are 25% to 100% of base salary for the CEO, COO and CFO and 15% to 50% of base salary for the VP CD and GC. The bonuses will be paid based on the achievement of Company objectives and individual performance. Individual performance of the Participants shall be determined by the Compensation Committee. The performance period under the Bonus Plan will consist, on a one time basis, of the period from January 1, 2005 to March 31, 2006 in order to align the bonus performance period, which has historically been a calendar year, with the Company s fiscal year end of March 31.

The Bonus Plan is filed with this report as Exhibit 10.1.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired.

Not applicable.

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information.

Not applicable.

(c) Exhibits.

#### **Exhibit**

No. Description
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## **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.

# ALKERMES, INC.

Date: July 29, 2005 By: /s/ James M. Frates

James M. Frates

Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

and

Treasurer

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