

HERCULES INC  
Form 8-K  
July 14, 2006

**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): **July 13, 2006**

**Hercules Incorporated**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**001-00496**  
(Commission File Number)

**51-0023450**  
(IRS Employer Identification  
Number)

**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)

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:

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

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On Thursday, July 13, 2006, Hercules Incorporated (“Hercules”) issued a news release announcing that the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit had affirmed a Final Judgment by the United States District Court in Arkansas for the lawsuit captioned United States of America v. Vertac Chemical Corp., et al. (Civil No. 4:80CV00109 GH, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Arkansas, Western Division).

The news release is furnished as an exhibit hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

- (c) **Exhibits.** 99.1 News Release of Hercules Incorporated dated July 13, 2006.

**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.

July 13, 2006

By: **HERCULES INCORPORATED**

/s/ Allen A. Spizzo  
Allen A. Spizzo  
Vice President and Chief Financial  
Officer