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GENENTECH INC Form 8-K April 25, 2007

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): April 19, 2007 GENENTECH, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware1-981394-2347624(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission (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

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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- o 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 CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS

Effective April 19, 2007, John M. Whiting resigned as Chief Accounting Officer of Genentech, Inc. in connection with his pending retirement from the company. Mr. Whiting will continue in his role as Vice President, Finance of Genentech until his retirement from the company. On April 19, 2007, Genentech s Board of Directors approved the appointment of Robert E. Andreatta as Chief Accounting Officer of Genentech, effective immediately.

Mr. Andreatta, 45, is currently Controller of Genentech and has served in that position since June 2006. Previously at Genentech, he served as Assistant Controller and Senior Director, Corporate Finance from May 2005 to June 2006, Director of Corporate Accounting and Reporting from September 2004 to May 2005, and Director of Collaboration Finance from June 2003 to September 2004. Prior to joining Genentech, he held various officer positions at HopeLink Corporation from 2000 to 2003 and was a Board member of HopeLink from 2002 to 2003. Mr. Andreatta worked for KPMG from 1983 to 2000, including service as an audit partner from 1995 to 2000.

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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: April 24, 2007 By: /s/ Sean A. Johnston

Sean A. Johnston

Senior Vice President and General

Counsel