

HERCULES INC  
Form 8-K  
September 16, 2005

**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): **September 14, 2005**

**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)

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  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01 OTHER EVENTS**

Hercules held an Investor and Analyst Day on September 14, 2005 which focused on technology and innovation. The Investor and Analyst Day was webcast live and is available for replay on Hercules' website at [www.herc.com](http://www.herc.com).

During the discussions, Craig A. Rogerson, President and Chief Executive Officer, also commented on the impact of Hurricane Katrina. While the full impacts of Hurricane Katrina are not fully known at this time, the Company believes that it will impact earnings per share by at least five cents for the balance of the year.

Mr. Rogerson also commented on the increased raw material, utility and transportation costs being experienced by the Company unrelated to the hurricane and on actions being taken to help offset the impact of increased costs.

A copy of the news release related to the Investor and Analyst Day, which was issued concurrently with Mr. Rogerson's comments, is attached as an Exhibit to this Form 8-K and incorporated by reference herein.

c. Exhibits.

99.1

News Release of Hercules Incorporated dated September 14, 2005

**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.

**DATE: September 16, 2005**

**By: HERCULES INCORPORATED**





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

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	News Release of Hercules Incorporated dated September 14, 2005

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