

DAVITA INC
Form 8-K
March 07, 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): March 4, 2005

DAVITA INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

1-4034
(Commission File Number)

No. 51-0354549
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

601 Hawaii Street

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El Segundo, California 90245

(Address of principal executive offices including Zip Code)

(310) 536-2400

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

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

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 - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On March 4, 2005, DaVita Inc. (the Company) received a subpoena from the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Missouri in St. Louis. The subpoena requires production of a wide range of documents relating to the Company's operations, including documents related to, among other things, pharmaceutical and other services provided to patients, relationships with pharmaceutical companies, financial relationships with physicians and joint ventures. The subpoena covers the period from December 1, 1996 through the present. The subject matter of this subpoena significantly overlaps with the subject matter of the investigation being conducted by the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. The Company intends to meet with representatives of the government to discuss the scope of the subpoena and the production of responsive documents. The Company intends to cooperate with the government's investigation. The subpoena has been issued in connection with a joint civil and criminal investigation. To the knowledge of the Company, no proceedings have been initiated against the Company at this time, although it is not possible to predict whether or when proceedings might be initiated or when these matters may be resolved. Any negative findings could result in substantial financial penalties against the Company, exclusion from future participation in the Medicare and Medicaid programs and criminal penalties.

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.

Date: March 7, 2005

DAVITA INC.

/s/ Joseph Schohl

Joseph Schohl

Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary