

RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**DELEAGE JEAN**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
 [RIGL]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**ONE EMBARCADERO  
 CENTER, SUITE 4050**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
**07/25/2005**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

**SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	07/25/2005	(1)	S		\$ 6,173 20.3672	481,317	I See footnote (2) (3)
Common Stock	07/25/2005	(1)	S		\$ 227 20.3672	17,707	I See footnote (2) (4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable      Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DELEAGE JEAN ONE EMBARCADERO CENTER SUITE 4050 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111	X			

## Signatures

Jean Deleage    07/25/2005  
 \*\*Signature of    Date  
 Reporting Person

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
  - \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Not applicable
  - (2) Jean Deleage, Director, is a managing director of Alta BioPharma Management II, LLC (which is the General Partner ("GP") of Alta BioPharma Partners II, L.P. ("ABPII")) & a manager of Alta Embarcadero BioPharma Partners II, LLC ("AEBPII"). Alta Partners II, Inc. provides investment advisory services to several venture capital funds including ABPII & AEBPII. The respective GP & managers exercise sole voting & investment powers over the shares held by the foregoing funds. Jean Deleage, Alix Marduel & Farah Champsi (collectively known as the "Principals") are managing directors ("md") of ABPII & managers of AEBPII. As md & managers they may be deemed to share voting & investment powers over the share held by the funds. The principals disclaim beneficial ownership of all such shares held by the foregoing funds, except to the extent of their proportionate pecuniary interests therein.
  - (3) Stock beneficially owned by Alta BioPharma Partners II, L.P.
  - (4) Stock beneficially owned by Alta Embarcadero BioPharma Partners II, LLC

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