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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* COOPER ROBIN D G			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS INC [RIGL]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) RIGEL PHARAMCEUTICALS, INC.,, 1180 VETERANS BLVD.			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/07/2005					X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Sr. V.P. Pharmaceutical Scs.			
(Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person _Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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Reporting Owner Name / Address		10% Owner	Officer	Other		
COOPER ROBIN D G RIGEL PHARAMCEUTICALS, INC., 1180 VETERANS BLVD. SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080			Sr. V.P. Pharmaceutical Scs.			

Signatures

James H. Welch (Attorney-in-Fact)	_	12/07/2005
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date

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