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VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA  
Form 8-K  
August 14, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D)  
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

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Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): August 14, 2002

Vertex Pharmaceuticals Incorporated  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| MASSACHUSETTS                                     | 000-19319                | 04-3039129                           |
| (state or other jurisdiction of<br>incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |

130 WAVERLY STREET  
CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 444-6100

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ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

The Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ending June 30, 2002 by Vertex Pharmaceuticals Incorporated was accompanied by certifications by the company's principal executive officer, Joshua S. Boger, and principal financial officer, Ian F. Smith, pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

A copy of the certifications is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit 99.1 Certification pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

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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.

VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED  
(Registrant)

Date: August 14, 2002

/s/Ian F. Smith

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Ian F. Smith  
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer