

EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES CORP  
Form 8-K  
September 20, 2006

**UNITED STATES  
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**

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): **September 19, 2006**

**EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-15525**  
(Commission  
file number)

**36-4316614**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**One Edwards Way, Irvine, California**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**92614**  
(Zip Code)

**(949) 250-2500**

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4© under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**ITEM 1.01. ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT.**

On September 19, 2006, an affiliate of the Company entered into an Eighth Amendment to the Receivables Purchase Agreement (the Eighth Amendment ) to amend the Receivables Purchase Agreement, dated as of December 21, 2000, by and among Edwards Lifesciences Financing LLC, Edwards Lifesciences LLC, Variable Funding Capital Company LLC (as assignee of Blue Ridge Asset Funding Corporation) and Wachovia Bank, N.A., as amended (the Receivables Purchase Agreement ). The Eighth Amendment extends the maturity date of the Receivables Purchase Agreement to September 18, 2007. A copy of the Eighth Amendment is attached as Exhibit 10.1.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) **Exhibits**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
10.1	Eighth Amendment to Receivables Purchase Agreement, dated as of September 19, 2006.

**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: September 20, 2006

**EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES CORPORATION**

By: */s/ Jay P. Wertheim*  
Jay P. Wertheim  
Vice President, Associate General Counsel  
and Secretary

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