

QUIDEL CORP /DE/
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November 22, 2004

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): **November 22, 2004**

QUIDEL CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

0-10961
(Commission
File Number)

94-2573850
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

10165 McKellar Court
San Diego, California
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

92121
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(858) 552-1100**

Not Applicable

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

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 - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On November 22, 2004, Quidel Corporation issued a press release commenting on the recent developments in the patent litigation in the U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts between various affiliates of Inverness Medical Innovations, Inc., Church & Dwight Co., Inc. and Acon Laboratories, Inc. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this current report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits:

| Exhibit Number | Description of Exhibit |
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| 99.1 | Press release, dated November 22, 2004. |

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: November 22, 2004

QUIDEL CORPORATION

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| By: | /s/ Paul E. Landers |
| Name: | Paul E. Landers |
| Its: | Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary |

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