

QUIDEL CORP /DE/  
Form 8-K  
March 04, 2008

**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): **February 27, 2008**

**QUIDEL CORPORATION**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its 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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**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

(e) On February 27, 2008, the board of directors of Quidel Corporation (the Company), upon the recommendation of its compensation committee, approved the following compensation matters for Caren L. Mason, the Company's President and Chief Executive Officer: (i) a three percent increase in Ms. Mason's annual base salary from \$468,000 to \$482,040, effective March 3, 2008; (ii) payout of a cash bonus of \$163,800 per the terms of the Company's 2007 short-term cash incentive plan; and (iii) payout of \$480,000 per the terms of the long-term incentive bonus program (LTIB) under Ms. Mason's employment agreement with the Company. Pursuant to the terms of Ms. Mason's employment agreement, the LTIB provides for a cash performance bonus to be paid at the end of the three-year cycle, commencing on January 1, 2005 and ending on December 31, 2007.

**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: March 4, 2008

**QUIDEL CORPORATION**

By:	John M. Radak
Name:	John M. Radak
Its:	Chief Financial Officer