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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): March 27, 2003

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

92121 (Zip Code)

Not Applicable (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.

On March 27, 2003, Quidel Corporation (the "Company") announced the streamlining of its executive leadership structure with such changes taking effect as of March 27, 2003.

A copy of the Company's press release dated March 27, 2003, announcing the foregoing, is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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Exhibits:

The following exhibits are filed with this report on Form 8-K:

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99.1	Press release, dated March 27, 2003, announcing the Company's streamlining of its executive leadership structure.
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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 27, 2003 QUIDEL CORPORATION

By: /s/ PAUL E. LANDERS

Name: Paul E. Landers

Its: Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

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