

QUIDEL CORP /DE/  
Form 8-K  
December 08, 2009

**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): December 2, 2009  
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)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the Registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - 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 December 8, 2009, Quidel Corporation issued a press release announcing that its board of directors has authorized the Company to repurchase up to an additional \$25 million in shares of its common stock under the Company's previously adopted stock repurchase program. The Company's board of directors previously approved, in the aggregate, \$75 million for the repurchase of common stock under the stock repurchase program initially authorized in May 2005 and extended with further authorizations in March 2007 and December 2008. 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.**

**(d) Exhibits.**

The following exhibit is filed with this current report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Press release, dated December 8, 2009.

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**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: December 8, 2009

**QUIDEL CORPORATION**

By: /s/ John M. Radak

Name: John M. Radak

Its: Chief Financial Officer

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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