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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): October 12, 2015

QUIDEL CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction 0-10961 (Commission 94-2573850 (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

12544 High Bluff Drive, Suite 200 San Diego, California

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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

(Zip Code)

92130

Not Applicable

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

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- [] 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 October 12, 2015, Edward K. Russell joined Quidel Corporation (the "Company") as Senior Vice President, Global Commercial Operations. This newly created senior leadership position will bring together many of the Company's commercial functions under a single global commercial umbrella. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Russell was employed by Thermo Fisher Scientific, a life sciences company based in Massachusetts, and its predecessor company Life Technologies for ten years. Mr. Russell served in various leadership roles from 2005 through 2015, including North America Commercial Leader of the BioSciences Division, General Manager of Life Technologies' Global Services & Support Division, and President of Life Technologies Japan. Prior to joining Life Technologies in 2005, Mr. Russell held various leadership positions at FedEx Kinko's, ExxonMobil and Toyota/Lexus. Mr. Russell started his career as an officer in the U.S. Coast Guard.

Mr. Russell holds a B.S. in Civil Engineering from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy and an MBA from The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania.

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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: October 14, 2015

QUIDEL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Robert J. Bujarski Robert J. Bujarski

Name:

SVP, Business Development & General Counsel Its: