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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM SD Specialized Disclosure Report

QUIDEL CORPORATION (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter) D011096d 94-2573850 (State (IRS or Other (Commission File Number) Jurisdiction Employer Identification No.) of Incorporation) 12544 High Bluff Drive, Suite 200, San Diego CA 92130 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) Phillip Askim, Associate General Counsel (858) 552-1100 (Name and telephone number, including area code, of the person to contact in connection with this report.) Check the appropriate box to indicate the rule pursuant to which this form is being filed, and provide the period to which the information in this form applies: Rule 13p-1 under the Securities Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13p-1) for the reporting period from January 1 to December 31, 2015.

Section 1 - Conflict Minerals Disclosure Item 1.01 Conflict Minerals Disclosure and Report Quidel Corporation has filed a Conflict Minerals Report, which is attached as Exhibit 1.01 hereto. The Conflict Minerals Report is also publicly available at www.quidel.com through the "Investor Relations" link under the heading "Corporate Governance". The content of any website referred to in this Form SD is included for general information only and is not incorporated by reference in this Form SD. Item 1.02 Exhibit The Conflict Minerals Report for the calendar year ended December 31, 2015 is filed as Exhibit 1.01 hereto. Section 2 - Exhibits Item 2.01 Exhibits Exhibit 1.01 Conflict Minerals Report as required by Items 1.01 and 1.02 of Form SD. SIGNATURES Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the duly authorized undersigned. Date: May 31, 2016

QUIDEL CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ Robert J. Bujarski

Name: Robert J. Bujarski

Its: SVP, Business Development & General Counsel