STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

QUIDEL CORP /DE/ Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and A BRYANT D	•	_	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
			QUIDEL CORP /DE/ [QDEL]	(Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction					
10165 MCKELLAR COURT			(Month/Day/Year) 03/19/2012	X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President & CEO				
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
SAN DIEGO, CA 92121			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	rities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficially	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit our Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (4 and 5	`	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/18/2012		F	5,028 (1)	D	\$ 15.14	193,261 (2)	D	
Common Stock	02/02/2012		F	9,163 (1)	D	\$ 14.51	184,098	D	
Common Stock	03/19/2012		P	10,000	A	\$ 16.5462	194,098	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
BRYANT DOUGLAS C 10165 MCKELLAR COURT SAN DIEGO, CA 92121	X		President & CEO					

Signatures

Robert J. Bujarski, attorney-in-fact for Douglas C.
Bryant

03/21/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The disposition of shares as set forth above was in connection with the Issuer's withholding of common shares to satisfy tax withholding obligations related to the issuance of common shares upon vesting of restricted stock units.
- (2) The amount of securities beneficially owned following the reported transaction includes 3,893 shares acquired under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- The weighted average purchase price for these transactions was \$16.54616 per share, with a range of \$16.30 to \$16.58 per share. Upon (3) request, the Reporting Person hereby undertakes to provide to staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder, the full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.

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