

QUIDEL CORP /DE/
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SMITS MARK W

(Last) (First) (Middle)
10165 MCKELLAR COURT
(Street)

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
QUIDEL CORP /DE/ [QDEL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
06/01/2011

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
SVP-Commercial Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Restricted Stock | 06/01/2011 | | A | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price A 9,136 (1) A \$ 0.01 | 9,136 | 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)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Title or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------------------|
| Non-Qualified Stock Options | \$ 15.05 | 06/01/2011 | | A | 21,350 | (2) 06/01/2021 | Common Stock | 21,350 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SMITS MARK W 10165 MCKELLAR COURT SAN DIEGO, CA 92121 | | | SVP-Commercial Operations | |

Signatures

Robert J. Bujarski, attorney-in-fact for Mark W. Smits

06/03/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Award of time-based restricted stock that will vest on the fourth anniversary date of the grant date, June 1, 2015.

(2) 10,675 shares will vest on the second anniversary date of the grant date, June 1, 2013. 5,337 shares will vest on the third anniversary date of the grant date, June 1, 2014. 5,338 shares will vest on the fourth anniversary date of the grant date, June 1, 2015.

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