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ALERE INC. Form 8-K December 19, 2011

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 13, 2011 Alere Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware001-1678904-3565120(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission file number)(IRS Employer Identification No.)

51 Sawyer Road, Suite 200, Waltham, Massachusetts 02453

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (781) 647-3900

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):

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On December 13, 2011, Tom Underwood, Chief Executive Officer of Alere Health, LLC, the company s health management subsidiary, notified the company that he intended to resign. His duties will be absorbed by other members of the management team. The effective date of the resignation is expected to be in January 2012.

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SIGNATURE

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 undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

ALERE INC.

BY: /s/ Jay McNamara Jay McNamara Senior Counsel, Corporate & Finance

Dated: December 19, 2011