PDL BIOPHARMA, INC. Form 8-K May 17, 2007

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):

May 16, 2007

PDL BioPharma, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

000-19756 (Commission File No.) 94-3023969 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation)

34801 Campus Drive

Identification No.)

Fremont, California 94555

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

(510) 574-1400

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Item 8.01 Other Events

On May 16, and following a telephone conversation with Third Point LLC, L. Patrick Gage, the Chairman of the Board of PDL BioPharma, Inc. (the Company) sent a letter to regarding various matters to Third Point LLC. A copy of this letter is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Letter from L. Patrick Gage, Chairman of the Board of PDL BioPharma, Inc. to Third Point LLC dated May 16, 2007

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 undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 16, 2007

PDL BioPharma, Inc.

By: /s/ Cynthia Shumate Cynthia Shumate Vice President, Legal Affairs and Secretary