MEDICIS PHARMACEUTICAL CORP
Form 8-K
June 01, 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
May 25, 2011
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)
Medicis Pharmaceutical Corporation
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	**001-14471**	**52-1574808**
(State of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification Number)

7720 North Dobson Road
Scottsdale, Arizona 85256
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)
(602) 808-8800
(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)
N/A
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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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 8.01 Other Events.

The Company Receives Correspondence from the FDA

On May 25, 2011, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) notified Medicis Pharmaceutical Corporation (the Company) of its decision to reopen the Company s 510(k) application to market its LIPOSONIX™ system in the U.S for further review based on a determination that the primary endpoint of the Company s clinical trial had been achieved. The Company had appealed the previously reported FDA determination that the data presented in the Company s 510(k) application were not sufficient to support a finding of substantial equivalence without additional information in a new submission. The FDA has requested that the Company submit certain labeling revisions to support 510(k) clearance. The Company is actively pursuing a meeting with the FDA at its request to agree on such revisions and clarify the next steps. As previously announced, the Company has classified the LipoSonix business as a discontinued operation for financial statement reporting purposes. The Company intends to continue exploring strategic alternatives for the business, including, but not limited to, the sale of the stand-alone business.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Medicis Pharmaceutical Corporation

Date: June 1, 2011

By: /s/ Seth L. Rodner
Seth L. Rodner
Senior Vice President, General Counsel
and Corporate Secretary