QUIDEL CORP /DE/

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **BRYANT DOUGLAS C** Issuer Symbol QUIDEL CORP /DE/ [QDEL] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 10165 MCKELLAR COURT 09/27/2010 below) President & CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SAN DIEGO, CA 92121 Person

| (City) | (State) | Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative | Secur | ities Acq | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|------------|---|--------------|------------------|-------------|--|---|----------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) | | | d of (D) | Beneficially (D) or Benefi Owned Indirect (I) Owner | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | (| |
| Common Stock | 01/03/2011 | | M | 5,970 (1) | A | <u>(1)</u> | 173,648 (2) | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/03/2011 | | F | 2,440 | D | \$ 14.74 | 171,208 | 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 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) ivative urities uired or cosed D) tr. 3, | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price Derivati Security (Instr. 5) |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|--------------------|---|--|---------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Restricted Stock Unit | <u>(4)</u> | 09/27/2010 | | A(4) | 1 (4) | <u>(4)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | Common Stock | <u>(4)</u> | \$ 0 |
| Restricted Stock Unit | <u>(4)</u> | 01/03/2011 | | M(4) | 1 (4) | <u>(4)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | Common Stock | <u>(4)</u> | \$ 0 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|--|--|--|
| 1 8 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| BRYANT DOUGLAS C | | | | | | | |
| 10165 MCKELLAR COURT | X | | President & CEO | | | | |
| SAN DIEGO, CA 92121 | | | | | | | |

Signatures

Robert J. Bujarski, attorney-in-fact for Douglas C.
Bryant
01/05/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- As described in footnote (4) below, the common shares were received pursuant to a specified formula upon vesting of a restricted stock unit (the "RSU") granted under the Company's Q4 2010 Employee Deferred Compensation Program (the "Program") and 2010 Equity Incentive Plan.
- The amount of securities benefically owned following the reported transactions includes 1,909 shares that the Reporting Person purchased through the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan on August 14, 2010.
- The disposition of shares, as set forth above, was in connection with the Company's withholding of common shares to satisfy tax withholding obligations related to the issuance of common shares upon vesting of the RSU.
- (4) The RSU was granted pursuant to the Program. Under the Program, the Reporting Person received the RSU, which vested on January 3, 2011, upon an election to defer a percentage of his base salary applicable to the period from September 27, 2010 through December 31, 2010 (the "Covered Period"). Upon vesting of the RSU, the Reporting Person was entitled to receive

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common shares equal to (i) the amount of his salary deferred under the Program divided by the average of the market closing prices for the common shares over the Covered Period, and (ii) then multiplying the result of the foregoing by 1.2. Pursuant to this formula, the Reporting Person received 5,970 common shares upon vesting of the RSU.

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