## Edgar Filing: QUIDEL CORP /DE/ - Form 4

| QUIDEL CO  | ORP /DE/                                |   |  |   |  |  |  |   |  |
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| Form 4   |   |   |  |   |  |  |  |   |  |
| May 17, 201  |   |   |  |   |  |  | OMB A  | PPROVAL   |  |
| <b>FORN</b><br>Check th  | UNITED                                  |   | S SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION<br>Washington, D.C. 20549                   |   |  |  | 3235-0287<br>January 31,   |   |  |
| if no lon<br>subject t<br>Section<br>Form 4 o  | ger <b>STATEN</b><br>16.<br>or          | STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF<br>SECURITIES |  |   |  |  | Estimated<br>burden hoi<br>response                                  | 2005<br>average<br>urs per  |  |
| Form 5<br>obligations<br>may continue.<br>See Instruction<br>1(b).<br>Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,<br>Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section<br>30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 |   |   |  |   |  |  |  |   |  |
| (Print or Type   | Responses)                              |   |  |   |  |  |  |   |  |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u><br>Brown Thomas D   |   |   | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol<br>QUIDEL CORP /DE/ [QDEL] |   |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to<br>Issuer  |  |   |  |
| (Last)   | (First) (                               | -   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Check   |   |  | eck all applicabl  | k all applicable)  |   |  |
| 29890 TAN  | (Montl                                  | (Month/Day/Year)<br>05/15/2012                                |  |   | X_ Director 10% Owner<br>Officer (give title Other (specify<br>below) below) |  |  |   |  |
| (Street) 4. If Amendment<br>Filed(Month/Day/   |   |   |  | ay/Year) Applicable Line)                             |  |  |  | int/Group Filing(Check<br>Dne Reporting Person                    |  |
| LIBERTYV   | VILLE, IL 60048                         |   |  |   |  | Form filed by<br>Person  | More than One R  | eporting  |  |
| (City)   | (State)                                 | (Zip) Ta  | able I - Non-  | Derivative  | Securities A   | Acquired, Disposed   | of, or Beneficia   | ally Owned  |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)   | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year)   | Code   | 4. Securiti<br>onAcquired<br>Disposed<br>(Instr. 3, 4 | (A) or<br>of (D)   | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|  |   |   | Code V   | Amount  | (D) Price  | (insu: 5 and 4)  |  |   |  |
| Reminder: Rep  | port on a separate line                 | e for each class of se  | ecurities bene   | •   | •  | •  |  |   |  |
|  |   |   |  | inform<br>requir                                      | ation cont<br>ed to resp   | spond to the colle<br>tained in this forn<br>ond unless the fo<br>ntly valid OMB co                                | n are not<br>rm  | SEC 1474<br>(9-02)  |  |

 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed         | 4.         | 5. Number       | 6. Date Exercisable and | 7. Title and Amour |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transactio | onof Derivative | Expiration Date         | Underlying Securit |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code       | Securities      | (Month/Day/Year)        | (Instr. 3 and 4)   |
| (Instr. 3)  | Price of    |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8) | Acquired        |                         |                    |

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|   | Derivative<br>Security |            |        | (A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) |                     |                    |                 |                                 |
|---|------------------------|------------|--------|---|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
|   |                        |            | Code V | (A) (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amo<br>or<br>Num<br>of<br>Share |
| Restricted<br>Stock Units<br>(Converted)    | <u>(1)</u>             | 05/15/2012 | А      | 2,469   | (2)                 | (3)                | Common<br>Stock | 2,4                             |
| Restricted<br>Stock Units<br>(Premium)      | <u>(1)</u>             | 05/15/2012 | А      | 740   | 05/15/2013          | <u>(3)</u>         | Common<br>Stock | 74                              |
| Non-Qualified<br>Stock Option               | \$ 15.73               | 05/15/2012 | А      | 7,800   | 05/15/2013          | 05/15/2022         | Common<br>Stock | 7,8                             |
| Restricted<br>Stock Units<br>(Equity Grant) | <u>(1)</u>             | 05/15/2012 | А      | 2,600   | 05/15/2013          | <u>(4)</u>         | Common<br>Stock | 2,6                             |

## **Reporting Owners**

| <b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>                         |            |           |         |            |
|---|------------|-----------|---------|------------|
|   | Director   | 10% Owner | Officer | Other      |
| Brown Thomas D<br>29890 TANYA TRAIL<br>LIBERTYVILLE, IL 60048 | Х          |           |         |            |
| Signatures  |            |           |         |            |
| Robert J. Bujarski, attorney-in-<br>Brown                     | fact for T | homas D.  |         | 05/17/2012 |
| <u>**</u> Signature of Reportin                               | ng Person  |           |         | Date       |

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## **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).
- Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive one share of Quidel Corporation common stock. (1)
- (2) The restricted stock units vest on the date of grant, May 15, 2012.
- The restricted stock units were received in lieu of cash payments to the reporting person for certain retainer and Board of Director (3) service-related fees under a deferred compensation program applicable to participating non-employee directors.
- The restricted stock units vest upon the earlier of (a) immediately prior to the annual meeting of Quidel Corporation's stockholders in (4) 2013 or (b) on the first anniversary of the grant date or May 15, 2013.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.