FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Iwanicki David</u>						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol PDL BIOPHARMA, INC. [ PDLI ]										ationship k all appli Directo	r		son(s) to Iss 10% Ov			
(Last) 34801 C.	(Fi	,	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/25/2006											(give title Sales & S	Other (s below) ales Operations					
(Street) FREMONT CA 94555  (City) (State) (Zip)							4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(,)			le I - No	n-Deriv	/ative	e Se	curiti	ies Ac	cqui	ired, C	Disi	osed c	of, or Be	enefic	cially	Owned	<u> </u>					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Tran				2. Trans	action	ar) i	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			or 5. Amou Securiti Benefici Owned		nt of es ally -ollowing	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									-	Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		ice	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)		
Common	nmon Stock 05/25/2006 M 2,187 A \$15.73 2,187 D								D													
Common	Stock			05/25	5/2006	6				S <sup>(1)</sup>		2,187	7 D		\$20		0 D					
		Т	able II -										, or Ben ble sec			Owned						
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,		Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of		Oate Exer Diration I Donth/Day	Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		S	. Price of perivative security nstr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactic (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Dat Exe	e ercisable		kpiration ate	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber							
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$15.73	05/25/2006			М			2,187		(2)	04	4/08/2015	Common Stock	2,1	87	\$0	74,376	5	D			

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Sale was made pursuant to a 10b5-1 plan established by the reporting person.
- 2. Option vests with respect to 2,187.5 shares per month. Only vested options are exercisable.

## Remarks:

/s/ George Jue by George Jue, Attorney in Fact for David

05/25/2006

<u>Iwanicki</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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).

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