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): June 23, 2020

PDL BioPharma, Inc.

(Exact name of Company as specified in its charter)

000-19756

(Commission File Number) 94-3023969 Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) 932 Southwood Boulevard Incline Village, Nevada 89451 (Address of principal executive offices, with zip code) (775) 832-8500 (Company's telephone number, including area code) Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the Company under any of the following provisions: Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: Title of each class Trading Symbol(s) Name of each exchange on which registered PDLI The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new

or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.□

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On June 23, 2020, the Board of Directors of PDL BioPharma, Inc. (the "Company") established that the Company's 2020 Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "2020 Annual Meeting") will be held on Wednesday, August 19, 2020. The record date for the determination of stockholders of the Company entitled to receive notice of and to vote at the 2020 Annual Meeting shall be the close of business on Thursday, July 2, 2020.

Any stockholder who intends to submit a proposal to be considered for inclusion in this year's proxy materials for the 2020 Annual Meeting, stockholder proposals must be submitted in writing and received by the Company by July 1, 2020, which the Company has determined is a reasonable time before the Company plans to first mail its proxy materials for the 2020 Annual Meeting. In addition to complying with this deadline, stockholder proposals intended to be considered for inclusion in the Company's proxy materials for the 2020 Annual Meeting must also comply with all applicable rules and regulations promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, including Rule 14a-8.

Any stockholder proposal for inclusion in the Company's proxy materials for the 2020 Annual Meeting should be sent to PDL BioPharma, Inc., 932 Southwood Boulevard, Incline Village, NV 89451, Attention: Corporate Secretary.

SIGNATURES

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

PDL BIOPHARMA, INC. (Company)

By: /s/ Dominique Monnet

Dominique Monnet President and Chief Executive Officer

Dated: June 23, 2020