# 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): August 20, 2010

## PDL BioPharma, Inc.

(Exact name of Company as specified in its charter)

000-19756 (Commission File Number)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 94-3023969 (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:	
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	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 8.01 Other Events.

On August 20, 2010, PDL BioPharma, Inc. affirmed that on September 15, 2010 it will redeem all of the Company's outstanding 2.75% Convertible Subordinated Notes, due August 16, 2023 (the "Notes"). Holders of the Notes have been provided notice of the redemption by the trustee for the Notes.

In accordance with the terms of the Notes, the Notes will be redeemed at a redemption price of 100% of the outstanding principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed, together with accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date of September 15, 2010, for a total of approximately \$1002.22 per \$1,000 principal amount of Notes. Those note holders who elect to convert their Notes into the Company's common stock on or before September 14, 2010 will be stockholders of record for the Company's October 1, 2010 dividend payment of \$0.50 per share of common stock.

### **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/ Christine R. Larson

Christine R. Larson

Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: August 20, 2010