FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D	.C. 20549
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* LINK MAX				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PDL BIOPHARMA, INC. [PDLI]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O PDL BIOPHARMA, INC.				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/14/2006									give title		Other (s			
34801 CAMPUS DRIVE				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) FREMONT CA 94555											Lin	X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)											1 61301				
		Tak	ole I - Non	-Deriv	ative	Se	curities	s Ac	quired, D	isp	osed o	f, or Be	neficial	ly Owned	i			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)			Execution Date,		Transaction Disposed Of Code (Instr. 5)			ties Acquired (A) or I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an		Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
							Code V	,	Amount	(A) oi (D)	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)		
		-							uired, Dis s, options					Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date, T	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Ame of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				c	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$17.29	06/14/2006			A		15,000		(1)	06	5/14/2013	Common Stock	15,000	\$0	15,00	0	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$17.29	06/14/2006			A		25,000		(2)	06	5/14/2013	Common Stock	25,000	\$0	25,00	0	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$17.29	06/14/2006			A		3,000		(2)	06	5/14/2013	Common Stock	3,000	\$0	3,000)	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$17.29	06/14/2006			A		3,000		(2)	06	5/14/2013	Common Stock	3,000	\$0	3,000)	D	
Stock Option (right to	\$17.29	06/14/2006			A		3,000		(2)	06	5/14/2013	Common Stock	3,000	\$0	3,000)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- $1. \ This \ option \ vests \ with \ respect to \ 1/12 \ of \ the \ shares \ per \ month \ over \ one \ year \ after \ the \ date \ of \ grant. \ Only \ vested \ options \ are \ exercisable.$
- 2. This option vests with respect to 1/12 of the shares per month over one year beginning July 1, 2006. Only vested options are exercisable.

Remarks:

/s/ George Jue by George Jue, Attorney in Fact for Max Link

06/15/2006

** 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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