## 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): April 13, 2007

# PDL BioPharma, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 000-19756 (Commission File No.) 94-3023969 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

34801 Campus Drive Fremont, California 94555 (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (510) 574-1400

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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Dere-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 8.01. Other Events.

On April 13, 2007, L. Patrick Gage, Ph.D, chairman of the board of PDL BioPharma, delivered a letter to Third Point LLC regarding various matters. A copy of this letter is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this current report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

## (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.Description99.1Letter from L. Patrick Gage, Ph.D., chairman of the board of PDL BioPharma, to Third Point LLC, dated April 13, 2007.

#### SIGNATURES

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

Date: April 18, 2007

#### PDL BioPharma, Inc.

By: /s/ Andrew Guggenhime

Andrew Guggenhime Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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### VIA FACSIMILE AND OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

April 13, 2007

Daniel S. Loeb Chief Executive Officer Third Point LLC 390 Park Avenue New York, NY 10022

Dear Dan:

To follow up, and elaborate further on our conversation yesterday, as I stated, I am available, along with our CEO, Mark McDade, to meet with you in person to discuss your views and specific recommendations regarding PDL. I believe that this meeting would be most constructive and valuable if Mark and I were both present. Following this joint session, I would also be available to meet with you without Mark present to discuss your views regarding PDL management.

We could also contemplate a meeting in conjunction with one of our next board meetings at which the full Board could hear your specific views and suggestions regarding PDL. In this case, I would propose a substantive pre-meeting between you, selected outside directors of PDL, and members of management to discuss your views and recommendations. This meeting would then be followed by a session with the outside directors to discuss your views regarding management.

Dan, Mark and I and other members of the PDL Board are interested in meeting with you and hearing your thoughts and suggestions. I believe, however, that these meetings can only be productive if all participants are willing to conduct these sessions in a constructive and professional manner. To be clear, I am only willing to talk about PDL and its ongoing strategy in meetings that are conducted in a professional manner where all parties are respectful; otherwise constructive dialogue is very challenging.

The Board is unanimous in our support of Mark McDade's leadership and the management team at PDL, and we are all focused on maximizing long-term stockholder value. We believe the Company's current strategy will deliver significant stockholder value both in the near-term and the long-term. As I have said, we are open to discuss your views on our strategy and evaluate their merits.

Sincerely,

/s/ L. Patrick Gage

L. Patrick Gage PDL BioPharma, Inc. Chairman of the Board Phone: 212-224-7400 Fax: 212-224-7401