

QUIDEL CORP /DE/

Form 4

March 23, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Mason Caren L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

10165 MCKELLAR COURT

(Street)

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
QUIDEL CORP /DE/ [QDEL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/21/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/21/2006		A	81,000	A	\$ 0.01	236,000 D

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 12.23	03/21/2006		A	10,833	<u>(1)</u> 03/21/2016	Common Stock	10,833
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 12.23	03/21/2006		A	31,667	<u>(2)</u> 03/21/2016	Common Stock	31,667

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Mason Caren L 10165 MCKELLAR COURT SAN DIEGO, CA 92121	X		President and CEO	

Signatures

Paul E. Landers, Attorney-in-Fact for Caren L. Mason 03/23/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* 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).

(1) 8,176 shares will be fully vested by 12/21/2009 and 2,657 shares will be fully vested by 03/21/2010.

(2) 10,625 shares will vest on the first anniversary of the grant date, 03/21/2007. 7,968 shares will vest on 12/21/2007. Thereafter, 10,625 shares will be fully vested on 12/21/2008 and 2,449 shares will be fully vested on 12/21/2009.

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