

O'Donnell Mark Sean  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â O'Donnell Mark Sean		(Month/Day/Year)	Life Technologies Corp [LIFE]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
5791 VAN ALLEN WAY		11/21/2008		
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
CARLSBAD,Â CAÂ 92008			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
			(give title below)	(specify below)
			SVP, Global Ops & Services	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
				<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date			
		Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

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Option Type	Grant Date	Expiration Date	Common Stock	Shares	Price	Exercise Type	Exercise Price
Incentive Stock Option <sup>(1)</sup> <u>(10)</u>	11/21/2008	03/17/2010	Common Stock	1,572	\$ 115.51	D	^
Non-Qualified Stock Option <sup>(2)</sup>	11/21/2008	03/17/2010	Common Stock	9,995	\$ 115.51	D	^
Non-Qualified Stock Option <sup>(3)</sup>	11/21/2008	03/24/2013	Common Stock	4,349	\$ 17.87	D	^
Non-Qualified Stock Option <sup>(4)</sup>	11/21/2008	06/17/2014	Common Stock	8,480	\$ 23.21	D	^
Non-Qualified Stock Option <sup>(5)</sup>	11/21/2008	06/02/2015	Common Stock	5,436	\$ 24.69	D	^
Non-Qualified Stock Option <sup>(6)</sup>	11/21/2008	06/02/2015	Common Stock	5,436	\$ 24.69	D	^
Non-Qualified Stock Option <sup>(7)</sup>	11/21/2008	06/02/2015	Common Stock	5,436	\$ 24.69	D	^
Non-Qualified Stock Option <sup>(8)</sup>	11/21/2008	06/02/2015	Common Stock	5,436	\$ 24.69	D	^
Non-Qualified Stock Option <sup>(9)</sup>	11/21/2008	01/30/2017	Common Stock	19,135	\$ 39.81	D	^

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
O'Donnell Mark Sean 5791 VAN ALLEN WAY CARLSBAD, CA 92008	^	^	^ SVP, Global Ops & Services	^

## Signatures

/s/ Joseph W. Secondine,  
Jr. POA

11/25/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Incentive Stock Option grant # 00005377. Shares converted to LIFE as a result of the Applied Biosystems merger with Invitrogen Corporation (name subsequently changed to Life Technologies).
- (2) Non-Qualified Stock Option grant # 00085378. Shares converted to LIFE as a result of the Applied Biosystems merger with Invitrogen Corporation (name subsequently changed to Life Technologies).
- (3) Non-Qualified Stock Option grant # 00017222. Shares converted to LIFE as a result of the Applied Biosystems merger with Invitrogen Corporation (name subsequently changed to Life Technologies).
- (4) Non-Qualified Stock Option grant # 00021103. Shares converted to LIFE as a result of the Applied Biosystems merger with Invitrogen Corporation (name subsequently changed to Life Technologies).
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Non-Qualified Stock Option grant # 00020503. Shares converted to LIFE as a result of the Applied Biosystems merger with Invitrogen Corporation (name subsequently changed to Life Technologies).

- (6) Non-Qualified Stock Option grant # A0020503. Shares converted to LIFE as a result of the Applied Biosystems merger with Invitrogen Corporation (name subsequently changed to Life Technologies).
- (7) Non-Qualified Stock Option grant # B0020503. Shares converted to LIFE as a result of the Applied Biosystems merger with Invitrogen Corporation (name subsequently changed to Life Technologies).
- (8) Non-Qualified Stock Option grant # C0020503. Shares converted to LIFE as a result of the Applied Biosystems merger with Invitrogen Corporation (name subsequently changed to Life Technologies).
- (9) Non-Qualified Stock Option grant # 18801. Shares converted to LIFE as a result of the Applied Biosystems merger with Invitrogen Corporation (name subsequently changed to Life Technologies).
- (10) The individual may hold additional shares acquired as a result of the conversion from Applied Biosystems stock to Life Technologies stock. Administration of the conversion is not complete. If it is determined that the individual owns shares, a Form 4A will be filed.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *See* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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