Emergent BioSolutions Inc. Form 8-K September 22, 2010

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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#### 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): September 17, 2010

Emergent BioSolutions Inc. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware 001-33137 14-1902018
(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

2273 Research Boulevard, Suite 400, Rockville, Maryland (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (301) 795-1800

#### Not applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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

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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On September 17, 2010, Emergent BioSolutions Inc. ("Registrant"), entered into an agreement with the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the development of a recombinant protective antigen (rPA) anthrax vaccine.

The agreement is a cost plus fixed fee development contract with a cumulative value of up to \$186.6 million, consisting of an initial two-year period of performance valued at approximately \$51 million, three option periods collectively valued at approximately \$126 million and additional funding for optional non-clinical studies valued at approximately \$9 million. The two-year base period of performance is from September 19, 2010 to September 18, 2012. Each option period, if exercised, would extend the period of performance by an additional year, for a full period of performance ending on September 18, 2015.

Activities to be conducted during the initial period of performance include process characterization and assay validation, as well as formulation and stability studies. Milestone-based options include completion of a Phase II clinical study and non-clinical efficacy studies, process validation, and consistency lot manufacture.

A copy of the Registrant's press release announcing the award is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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: September 22, 2010 EMERGENT BIOSOLUTIONS INC.

By:/s/R. Don Elsey R. Don Elsey Chief Financial Officer