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BIOGEN IDEC INC. Form 8-K September 29, 2011

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): September 29, 2011 Biogen Idec Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware0-1931133-0112644(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)(Commission
file number)(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

133 Boston Post Road, Weston, Massachusetts

02493

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (781) 464-2000

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

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On September 29, 2011, we announced that Tony Kingsley, currently Senior Vice President, U.S. Commercial Operations, will succeed Francesco Granata on November 7, 2011 as Executive Vice President, Global Commercial Operations. Dr. Granata will remain at the company until February 29, 2012 to assist in an orderly transition of responsibilities. Following the termination of his employment, the Company will pay Dr. Granata a separation benefit of 21 months of base salary and target bonus in the aggregate amount of \$1,692,600.

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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.

Biogen Idec Inc.

By: /s/ Robert A. Licht Robert A. Licht Senior Vice President

Date: September 29, 2011