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BIOGEN IDEC INC. Form 8-K December 19, 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): December 19, 2011

Biogen Idec Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

0-19311 (Commission 33-0112644 (IRS Employer

of incorporation) file number) Identification No.)

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133 Boston Post Road, Weston, Massachusetts (Address of principal executive offices) Registrant s telephone number, including area code (781) 464-2000

02493 (Zip Code)

NA

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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

Our Chief Accounting Officer, Robert E. Gagnon, will be assuming the position of Vice President, Business Planning at Biogen Idec Inc. effective February 1, 2012. Mr. Gagnon will continue to serve as our Chief Accounting Officer until a successor to that position is appointed.

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: December 19, 2011