BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORP Form 8-K December 05, 2005

# **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

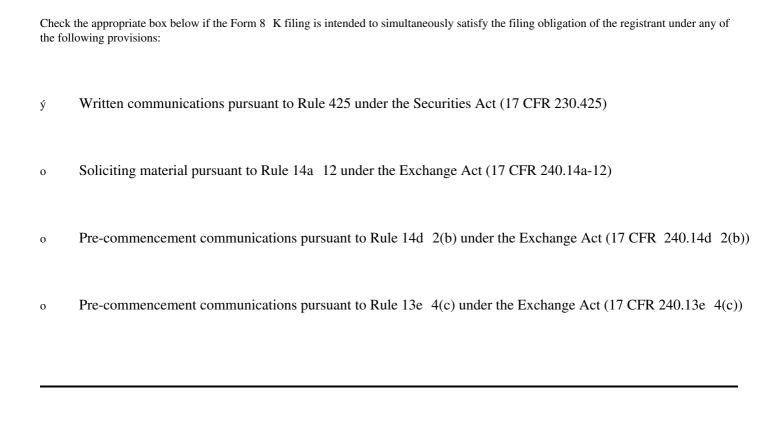
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 5, 2005

# **BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORPORATION**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware		001-11083	04-2695240
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)		(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)
One Boston Scientific Place, Natick, Massachusetts			01760-1537
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)			(Zip Code)

Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (508) 650-8000



#### Item 8.01. Other Events

On December 5, 2005, Boston Scientific Corporation (Boston Scientific) issued a press release announcing its proposal to acquire Guidant Corporation (Guidant). The proposal was communicated on December 5, 2005 in a letter from Pete Nicholas, Chairman of Boston Scientific, and Jim Tobin, President and Chief Executive Officer of Boston Scientific, to James M. Cornelius, Chairman of Guidant. The press release announcing the proposal, including the full text of the proposal letter delivered to Mr. Cornelius, is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

99.1 Press release, dated December 5, 2005

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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.

## BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORPORATION

By: /s/ Lawrence J. Knopf Name: Lawrence J. Knopf

Title: Vice President and Assistant General Counsel

Dated: December 5, 2005