VIACELL INC Form SC TO-C October 01, 2007

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO

Tender Offer Statement under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

VIACELL, INC.

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer))

PERKINELMER, INC.

VICTOR ACQUISITION CORP.

(Name of Person Filing Statement (Offerors))

Common Stock, par value \$0.01

(Title of Class of Securities)

92554J105

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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Item 12. Exhibits

ExhibitDescription99.1Press Release issued by PerkinElmer, Inc. on October 1, 2007

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This Schedule TO-C is neither an offer to purchase nor a solicitation of an offer to sell shares of ViaCell, Inc. (ViaCell). Victor Acquisition Corp. (the Merger Sub) has not commenced the tender offer for shares of ViaCell stock described in this communication.

Upon commencement of the tender offer, the Merger Sub will file with the SEC a tender offer statement on Schedule TO and related exhibits, including the offer to purchase, letter of transmittal, and other related documents. Following commencement of the tender offer, ViaCell will file with the SEC a solicitation/recommendation statement on Schedule 14D-9. Shareholders should read the offer to purchase and solicitation/recommendation statement and the tender offer statement on Schedule TO and related exhibits when such documents are filed and become available, as they will contain important information about the tender offer.

Shareholders can obtain these documents when they are filed and become available free of charge from the SEC s website at www.sec.gov, or from PerkinElmer, Inc. by directing a request to PerkinElmer, 940 Winter Street, Waltham, Massachusetts 02451, Attention: Michael A. Lawless, or from ViaCell, Inc., 245 First Street, Cambridge, MA, 02142, Attention: Justine Koenigsberg, Senior Director, Corporate Communications.