

BIOGEN IDEC INC.  
Form 8-K  
June 13, 2012

**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): June 7, 2012

**Biogen Idec Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

**0-19311**  
(Commission

file number)

**33-0112644**  
(IRS Employer

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)

**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))

### Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

At the 2012 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Biogen Idec Inc. (Company) held on June 8, 2012 (Annual Meeting), stockholders approved an amendment to the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (Charter Amendment) that designates Delaware as the exclusive forum for resolving derivative actions and certain other disputes. In connection with the Charter Amendment, on June 7, 2012 the Board of Directors repealed Section 8.8 from the Company's Second Amended and Restated Bylaws (Bylaws), which contained a substantially similar provision for designating Delaware as exclusive forum for certain disputes.

At the Annual Meeting, stockholders also approved an amendment to the Company's Bylaws (Bylaw Amendment) that permits holders of at least 25% of the Company's outstanding common stock to call a special meeting of stockholders under certain circumstances.

The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the copy of the Charter Amendment and Bylaw Amendment, which are filed as Exhibit 3.1 and Exhibit 3.2, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

### Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

On June 8, 2012, the Company held its Annual Meeting. The final voting results for this meeting are as follows:

1. Stockholders elected twelve nominees to the Board of Directors to serve for a one-year term extending until the 2013 annual meeting of stockholders and their successors are duly elected and qualified, with the votes cast as follows:

| Nominee              | Votes For   | Votes Against | Abstentions | Broker Non-Votes |
|----------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|------------------|
| Alexander J. Denner  | 201,033,244 | 425,131       | 545,151     | 15,373,579       |
| Caroline D. Dorsa    | 200,156,496 | 1,296,306     | 550,724     | 15,373,579       |
| Nancy L. Leaming     | 200,143,446 | 1,304,252     | 555,828     | 15,373,579       |
| Richard C. Mulligan  | 201,062,547 | 392,293       | 548,686     | 15,373,579       |
| Robert W. Pangia     | 199,899,894 | 1,550,524     | 553,108     | 15,373,579       |
| Stelios Papadopoulos | 200,054,330 | 1,320,288     | 628,908     | 15,373,579       |
| Brian S. Posner      | 200,096,515 | 1,358,600     | 548,411     | 15,373,579       |
| Eric K. Rowinsky     | 201,031,149 | 412,941       | 559,436     | 15,373,579       |
| George A. Scangos    | 201,593,891 | 276,655       | 132,980     | 15,373,579       |
| Lynn Schenk          | 199,893,965 | 1,564,173     | 545,388     | 15,373,579       |
| Stephen A. Sherwin   | 199,657,836 | 1,790,994     | 554,696     | 15,373,579       |
| William D. Young     | 199,874,562 | 1,510,949     | 618,015     | 15,373,579       |

2. Stockholders ratified the selection of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2012, with the votes cast as follows: 213,321,555 votes for; 3,918,618 votes against; 136,932 abstentions; 0 broker non-votes.

3. Stockholders approved the compensation paid to the Company's named executive officers (in the form of a non-binding, advisory vote), with the votes cast as follows: 198,890,349 votes for; 2,656,886 votes against; 456,291 abstentions; 15,373,579 broker non-votes.
4. Stockholders approved the Charter Amendment, with the votes cast as follows: 134,615,844 votes for; 81,811,670 votes against; 949,591 abstentions; 0 broker non-votes.
5. Stockholders approved the Bylaw Amendment, with the votes cast as follows: 201,254,842 votes for; 544,813 votes against; 203,371 abstentions; 15,373,579 broker non-votes.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

The exhibits listed on the Exhibit Index immediately preceding such exhibits are filed as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

**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: June 13, 2012

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

| <b>Exhibit<br/>Number</b> | <b>Description</b>                                                              |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3.1                       | Amendment to Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation. Filed herewith. |
| 3.2                       | Amendment to Second Amended and Restated Bylaws. Filed herewith.                |