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BIOGEN IDEC INC.

Form 8-K

February 18, 2014

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): February 12, 2014

Biogen Idec Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 0-19311 33-0112644

(State or other jurisdiction of

(Commission file number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

225 Binney Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (617) 679-2000

Not Applicable

incorporation)

(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

On February 12, 2014, William D. Young, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Biogen Idec Inc. (the "Company"), notified the Company that he will retire from the Board at the end of his current term, which expires at the Company's 2014 annual meeting of stockholders. Dr. Stelios Papadopoulos, a member of the Board of Directors of the Company since 2008, has been appointed by the Board of Directors to assume the role of Chairman of the Board following the end of Mr. Young's term.

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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: February 18, 2014