GUGGENHIME ANDREW

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **GUGGENHIME ANDREW**

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PDL BIOPHARMA, INC. [PDLI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

12/18/2008

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

1400 SEAPORT BLVD

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

SVP & Chief Financial Officer 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or

Code V Amount

Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

D

Reported Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

Common Stock

Security

(Instr. 3)

12/18/2008

 $F^{(1)}$

3,575

\$0 13,255

D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title a Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 a	of ng s	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GUGGENHIME ANDREW 1400 SEAPORT BLVD REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063

SVP & Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Andrew

Guggenhime 12/19/2008

**Signature of Reporting Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Represents the number of shares withheld by the issuer and canceled to satisfy tax withholding obligations that arose in connection with the vesting of restricted shares of common stock.

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