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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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): January 9, 2009

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.)

14 Cambridge Center, Cambridge, Massachusetts

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

02142 (Zip Code)

(617) 679-2000

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))x

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

Biogen Idec Inc. (the "Registrant") will post on its web site after 4:30 p.m. (ET) each Friday information on confirmed cases of progressive multifocal leukoencephalopathy (PML) that have occured in TYSABRI-treated patients since July 2006. This information can be found at *www.biogenidec.com/tpme*. The first such posting today includes only previously disclosed cases of PML. The Registrant intends to post this information on its website through July 24, 2009, the third anniversary of the reintroduction of TYSABRI into the market.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: January 9, 2009

Biogen Idec Inc.

By: /s/ Robert A. Licht

Name: Robert A. Licht Title: Vice President and Assistant Secretary