BIOMARIN PHARMACEUTICAL INC Form 8-K May 18, 2009

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): May 12, 2009

BioMarin Pharmaceutical Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 000-26727 (Commission File Number) 68-0397820 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

105 Digital Drive, Novato, California (Address of principal executive offices) 94949 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (415) 506-6700

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On May 12, 2009, BioMarin Pharmaceutical Inc. (the Company) amended the Company s Severance Plan and Summary Plan Description (the Severance Plan) to include the Company s chief executive officer as an eligible participant in the Severance Plan and to amend the Severance Plan to provide that in addition to unvested stock options vesting upon a Change of Control (as defined in the Severance Plan), all restricted stock, restricted stock units and other equity compensation with time-based vesting will also vest upon a Change of Control.

The foregoing description of the Severance Plan is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Severance Plan, a copy of which will be filed with the Company s Quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2009.

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

The information set forth in Item 1.01 is incorporated by reference in this Item 5.02.

SIGNATURE

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.

BioMarin Pharmaceutical Inc.,

a Delaware corporation

Date: May 18, 2009

By: /s/ G. Eric Davis G. Eric Davis Vice President, General Counsel