BRISTOL MYERS SQUIBB CO Form 8-K September 11, 2008

### 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): September 11, 2008

### **BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB COMPANY**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-1136 (Commission File

22-079-0350

(IRS Employer Identification

Number)

Number)

345 Park Avenue New York, NY, 10154 (Address of Principal Executive Office)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 546-4000

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On September 11, 2008, Bristol-Myers Squibb Company issued the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report. The press release includes the full text of a letter sent to the board of directors of ImClone Systems Incorporated on September 11, 2008. The press release is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibits No. Description

99.1. Press release dated September 11, 2008

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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.

Dated: September 11, 2008 BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB COMPANY

By: /s/ Sandra Leung

Name: Sandra Leung

Title: Senior Vice President, General

Counsel and Secretary

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