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Form 8-K  
April 20, 2006

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): April 19, 2006

CELGENE CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware  | 0-16132                  | 22-2711928                           |
| (State or other jurisdiction of<br>incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |

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| 86 Morris Avenue, Summit, New Jersey     | 07901      |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | (Zip Code) |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (908) 673-9000

(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 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS;

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APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS.

ITEM 5.02 (c) ELECTION OF DIRECTOR

On April 20, 2006, Celgene Corporation announced the election of Rodman L. Drake to the Company's Board of Directors effective April 19, 2006. Mr. Drake is an experienced corporate director and former CEO with more than 30 years of diverse consulting and executive management experience. He will serve as a member of the Nominating and Audit Committees of the Celgene Board of Directors. Mr. Drake has spent most of his career in executive level positions such as Co-Chairman of KMR Power Company, a developer of independent power projects internationally, Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of Cresap McCormick and Paget, a leading international management consulting firm, and President of The Mandrake Group, a consulting firm specializing in strategy and organizational design. He is a member of the board of directors of Student Loan Corporation, Jackson Hewitt and Hyperion Funds and several private companies. Mr. Drake received a B.A. degree from Yale University and an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School.

Attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit 99.1 is the Press Release announcing the election of Mr. Drake to the Company's Board of Directors.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 - Press Release dated April 20, 2006 announcing the election of Rodman L. Drake to the Company's Board of Directors.

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.

CELGENE CORPORATION

Date: April 20, 2006

By: /s/ Robert J. Hugin

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Name: Robert J. Hugin  
Title: Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

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DESCRIPTION

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