

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)  
February 1, 2017

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AMGEN INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

001-37702  
(Commission File Number)

95-3540776  
(IRS Employer  
Identification Number)

Amgen Inc.  
One Amgen Center Drive  
Thousand Oaks, CA  
(Address of principal  
executive offices)

91320-1799  
(Zip Code)

805-447-1000  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

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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 Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

(d) Election of Directors.

On February 1, 2017, the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Amgen Inc. (the “Company”) appointed Charles M. Holley Jr. as a director of the Company. Mr. Holley is the former Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer for Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. (“Walmart”) where he served from November 2010 to December 2015 and as Executive Vice President between January 1, 2016 and January 31, 2016. Prior to this, Mr. Holley served as Executive Vice President, Finance and Treasurer of Walmart from 2007 to November 2010. From December 2005 through December 2006, he served as Senior Vice President. Prior to that, Mr. Holley was Senior Vice President and Controller from 2003 to 2005. Mr. Holley served various roles in Wal-Mart International from 1994 through 2002. Prior to this, Mr. Holley served in various roles at Tandy Corporation. He spent more than ten years with Ernst & Young LLP. Mr. Holley is an Independent Senior Advisor, U.S. CFO Program, Deloitte LLP, a privately-held provider of audit, consulting, tax, and advisory services, since July 2016.

Mr. Holley serves on the Dean’s Advisory Board for the McCombs School of Business at the University of Texas at Austin and the University of Texas Presidents’ Development Board.

Mr. Holley will serve as a member of the Audit Committee and the Corporate Responsibility and Compliance Committee of the Board. Following the appointment of Mr. Holley, the Board will comprise 15 directors, 14 of whom are independent.

There are no transactions between Mr. Holley (or any member of his immediate family) and the Company (or any of its subsidiaries) and there is no arrangement or understanding between Mr. Holley and any other persons or entities pursuant to which Mr. Holley was appointed as a director of the Company.

Upon his appointment to the Board, Mr. Holley became entitled to receive the annual retainer of \$100,000 and will receive \$2,000 for each committee meeting he attends in person (\$1,000 for telephonic attendance). In accordance with the Company’s policy, Mr. Holley will also be entitled to reimbursement of his expenses incurred in connection with attendance at Board and committee meetings and conferences with our senior management. Further, under the provisions of the Amgen Inc. 2009 Director Equity Incentive Program, as amended on March 6, 2013, under the Amgen Inc. Amended and Restated 2009 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended on March 2, 2016, non-employee directors receive an annual grant of restricted stock units with a grant date fair value of \$200,000 (rounded down to the nearest whole number of shares of stock), measured by the closing market price of a share of Common Stock on the date of grant (two business days after the release of the Company’s quarterly earnings for the first fiscal quarter). Subsequent to his appointment, Mr. Holley will receive the annual grant of restricted stock units on the date that is two business days after the release of the Company’s 2017 first quarter earnings. Pursuant to such director equity program, such restricted stock units vest immediately as of the date of grant.

**SIGNATURES**

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

AMGEN INC.

Date: February 3, 2017

By: /s/ Jonathan P. Graham

Name: Jonathan P. Graham

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary