

ALERE INC.  
Form 8-K  
February 17, 2011

**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): February 17, 2011**

**ALERE INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**1-16789**  
(Commission File Number)

**04-3565120**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**51 Sawyer Road, Suite 200, Waltham, Massachusetts 02453**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

**(781) 647-3900**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 2.02. Results of Operations And Financial Condition.**

On February 17, 2011, Alere Inc. (the Company ) issued a press release entitled Alere Announces Fourth Quarter 2010 Results, a copy of which is furnished with this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) *Exhibits.*

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated February 17, 2011, entitled Alere Announces Fourth Quarter 2010 Results

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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.

ALERE INC.

Date: February 17, 2011

By: /s/ David Teitel  
David Teitel  
Chief Financial Officer

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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