MEDICINES CO /DE Form 8-K August 04, 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): August 1, 2008

The Medicines Company

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **000-31191** (Commission File Number)

04-3324394 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

8 Campus Drive
Parsippany, New Jersey
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

07054 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (973) 656-1616

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

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On August 4, 2008, The Medicines Company (the Company) announced that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved the intravenous (IV) therapy CleviprexTM (clevidipine butyrate) injectable emulsion for the reduction of blood pressure when oral therapy is not feasible or not desirable. The full text of the press release issued in connection with the announcement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1

Press release dated August 4, 2008 entitled The Medicines Company s Cleviprex Receives FDA Approval

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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.

THE MEDICINES COMPANY

Date: August 4, 2008 By: /s/ John P. Kelley

John P. Kelley

President and Chief Operating Officer

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