## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION September 24, 2013

## ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

PDL BioPharma, Inc.

File No. 000-19756 - CF#29392

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PDL BioPharma, Inc. submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting confidential treatment for information it excluded from the Exhibits to a Form 10-K filed on March 1, 2013, as amended on September 6, 2013.

Based on representations by PDL BioPharma, Inc. that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibits will not be released to the public for the time periods specified:

Exhibit 10.49 through October 5, 2020 Exhibit 10.50 through December 31, 2021

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

Elizabeth M. Murphy Secretary