

THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC INC.
Form 8-K
January 19, 2007

**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**

January 17, 2007
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	1-8002 (Commission File Number)	04-2209186 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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81 Wyman Street, P.O. Box 9046 Waltham, Massachusetts (Address of principal executive offices)	02454-9046 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (781) 622-1000

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- 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))

Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year

Effective January 17, 2007, the Board of Directors of Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc. (the “Company”) approved an amendment to Section 5 of Article I of the Company’s Amended and Restated Bylaws for purposes of implementing a majority vote standard in uncontested director elections in place of the plurality vote standard. The new majority vote standard provides that to be elected in an uncontested election, a director nominee must receive a majority of the votes cast such that the number of votes cast “for” a director must exceed the number of votes cast “against” that director. A plurality vote standard will be retained for the election of directors only in the event of a contested election, where the number of nominees for director is greater than the number of directors to be elected.

A copy of the Company’s Amended and Restated Bylaws is filed as Exhibit 3.1 to this Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed herewith:

Exhibit No.	Description of Exhibit
3.1	Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company

SIGNATURE

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 thereunto duly authorized, on this 19th day of January, 2007.

THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC INC.

By: /s/ Seth H. Hoogasian
Name: Seth H. Hoogasian
Title: Senior Vice President, General
Counsel and Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

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