

ILLUMINA INC
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 14D-9

Solicitation/Recommendation Statement Under

Section 14(d)(4) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 8)

Illumina, Inc.

(Name of Subject Company)

Illumina, Inc.

(Name of Person Filing Statement)

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value

(Title of Class of Securities)

452327109

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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.. Check the box if the filing relates solely to preliminary communications made before the commencement of a tender offer.

This Amendment No. 8 to Schedule 14D-9 (this Amendment) amends and supplements the Solicitation/Recommendation Statement on Schedule 14D-9 (as amended from time to time, the Statement) originally filed by Illumina, Inc., a Delaware corporation (Illumina), with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) on February 7, 2012, relating to the tender offer by CKH Acquisition Corporation, a Delaware corporation (Purchaser) and an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Roche Holding Ltd, a joint stock company organized under the laws of Switzerland (Roche), to purchase all outstanding shares of Illumina common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, together with the associated preferred stock purchase rights, for \$44.50 per share, net to the seller in cash, without interest and less applicable withholding taxes.

Except as specifically noted herein, the information set forth in the Statement remains unchanged. Capitalized terms used in this Amendment without definition have the respective meanings set forth in the Statement.

ITEM 4. The Solicitation or Recommendation.

Item 4 of the Statement is hereby amended and supplemented by adding the following text immediately before the caption Reasons for Recommendation on page 20 of the Statement:

On March 19, 2012, Illumina filed its definitive proxy statement with the SEC.

ITEM 9. Exhibits.

Item 9 of the Statement is hereby amended and supplemented by adding the following exhibits:

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| (a)(25) | Letter to Illumina's Stockholders, dated March 19, 2012 (incorporated by reference to the Schedule 14A filed with the SEC by Illumina on March 19, 2012) |
| (a)(26) | Press Release issued by Illumina, dated March 19, 2012 (incorporated by reference to the Schedule 14A filed with the SEC by Illumina on March 19, 2012) |

SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this Statement is true, complete and correct.

ILLUMINA, INC.

By: /s/ Christian G. Cabou

Name: Christian G. Cabou

Title: Senior Vice President & General Counsel

Dated: March 19, 2012

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