

CERUS CORP  
Form 8-K  
August 19, 2009

**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 19, 2009

**CERUS CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**0-21937**  
(Commission File No.)  
  
**2411 Stanwell Drive**

**68-0262011**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

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Concord, California 94520

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (925) 288-6000

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.

- 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))

**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On August 19, 2009, Cerus Corporation (the Company) announced that the Swiss regulatory body, Swissmedic, has approved the use of platelet components treated with the Company's INTERCEPT Blood System. A copy of the Company's press release, entitled "Cerus INTERCEPT Blood System for Platelets Receives Swiss Approval," is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

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

**(d) Exhibits**

**Exhibit**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release, dated August 19, 2009, entitled "Cerus INTERCEPT Blood System for Platelets Receives Swiss Approval."

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**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 hereunto duly authorized.

**CERUS CORPORATION**

Dated: August 19, 2009

By: /s/ Kevin D. Green  
Kevin D. Green  
Vice President, Finance and Chief

Accounting Officer

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