

BOSTON BEER CO INC
Form 4
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Lance Thomas W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

VP Operations

C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC., ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BOSTON, MA 02210

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Class A Common | 02/25/2014 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | 4,000 | D \$ 18.51 | 7,242 ⁽²⁾ | D |
| Class A Common | 02/25/2014 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 3,200 | D \$ 235.15 | 4,042 ⁽³⁾ | D |
| Class A Common | 02/25/2014 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 600 | D \$ 236 | 3,442 | D |
| Class A Common | 02/25/2014 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 200 | D \$ 237 | 3,242 | D |

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Option | \$ 18.51 | 02/25/2014 | | M | 4,000 | 03/01/2011 ⁽⁴⁾ 03/12/2019 | Class A Common | 4,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Lance Thomas W C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC. ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850 BOSTON, MA 02210 | | | VP Operations | |

Signatures

Kathleen H. Wade under POA for the benefit of Thomas W. Lance
 02/26/2014
 **Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on November 13, 2013.
- (2) The amount of securities beneficially owned includes 653 restricted shares under the Issuer's employee equity incentive plan.
- (3) The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 3,200 shares is from \$235.00 to \$235.50. The Filing Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.

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(4) The option vested in three equal installments on March 1, 2011, March 1, 2012 and March 1, 2013.

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