

SOMMER ALFRED

Form 4

February 02, 2005

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SOMMER ALFRED

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
BECTON DICKINSON & CO
[BDX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND
COMPANY, 1 BECTON DRIVE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/31/2005

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
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Person

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)
			Code	V	Amount (1)	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/01/2005		A		1,200	A	\$ 0 2,410

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)**

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Rights to Common Stock Under 1996 Directors Deferral Plan	(2)	01/31/2005		A	407.17	(3) (3)	Common Stock	407.1
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 56.15	02/01/2005		A	2,160	02/01/2006(4) 02/01/2015	Common Stock	2,160

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
SOMMER ALFRED C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY 1 BECTON DRIVE FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417	X

Signatures

Patricia Walesiewicz, by power of attorney for Alfred Sommer 02/02/2005

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) Reflects restricted stock units awarded under the Becton, Dickinson and Company 2004 Employee and Director Equity-Based Compensation Plan.
- (2) The securities convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) The securities are distributed following termination of the reporting person's service as a director, or on the date or dates specified by the reporting person.
- (4) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on February 1, 2006.

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