#### TOZZI WILLIAM A

Form 4

November 26, 2004

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Last)

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* TOZZI WILLIAM A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

**BECTON DICKINSON & CO** 

(Check all applicable)

VP and Controller

[BDX] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 11/23/2004

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

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

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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

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#### FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) ctionor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	11/23/2004		Code V A	Amount 1,085 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 54.41	(Instr. 3 and 4) 6,150	D	
Common Stock	11/24/2004		M	8,000	A	\$ 24.8125	14,150	D	
Common Stock	11/24/2004		F	1,833	D	\$ 54.2	12,317	D	
Common Stock	11/24/2004		S	3,970	D	\$ 54.6215	8,347	D	
Common							3,982	I	SIP Trust

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 5)	(A) or of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Num of Sha
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 54.41	11/23/2004		A	6,877		11/23/2005(3)	11/23/2015	Common Stock	6,
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.8125	11/24/2004		M		8,000	01/27/1999(4)	01/27/2007	Common Stock	8,

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

TOZZI WILLIAM A C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY 1 BECTON DRIVE

VP and Controller

FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417

# **Signatures**

Patricia Walesiewicz, by power of attorney for William A. Tozzi

11/26/2004

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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## **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) Represents shares awarded under the Becton, Dickinson and Company 2004 Employee and Director Equity-Based Compensation Plan.
  - Represents shares of common stock held under the Becton, Dickinson and Company Savings Incentive Plan (the "SIP"). Mr. Tozzi also
- (2) has an interest in 436 shares of Series B Convertible Preferred Stock under the SIP, which are convertible into 2,790 shares of common stock. The information presented for the SIP is as of October 31, 2004.
- (3) The option vests in four annual installments beginning November 23, 2005.
- (4) The option became 50% exercisable on January 27, 1999 and fully exercisable on January 27, 2000.

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