COHEN GARY M

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

BECTON DICKINSON & CO

[BDX]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

11/29/2004

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) President - BD Medical

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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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

(Instr. 3)

Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities**

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(A) or Disposed of (D)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		(Instr. 3 and	4)
				Code V	(A) (D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Rights to Common Stock Under Deferred Compensation Plan	<u>(1)</u>	11/29/2004		A	15.99	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	15.99

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

COHEN GARY M C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY 1 BECTON DRIVE FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417

President - BD Medical

Signatures

Patricia Walesiewicz, by power of attorney for Gary M.

Cohen 11/30/2004

**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 securities convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) The securities are generally distributed upon termination, or following retirement on the date or dates specified by the reporting person.

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