

BECTON DICKINSON & CO

Form 4

December 08, 2004

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

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SOMMER ALFRED

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/06/2004

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)			
			Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock	12/06/2004		M		2,934	A	\$ 25.63
							4,144 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	12/06/2004		S		2,934	D	\$ 55.84
							1,210

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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 (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)
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.63	12/06/2004		M	2,934	02/08/2002 ⁽²⁾ 02/08/2010	Common Stock 2,934

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
12/08/2004

**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) Includes restricted stock units acquired through dividend reinvestment since the last report filed by the reporting person.

(2) The option became 50% exercisable on February 8, 2002 and fully exercisable on February 8, 2003.

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