URICH WILLIAM F

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Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * URICH WILLIAM F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 09/18/2012

(Check all applicable)

Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

below)

Chief Financial Officer

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

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

BOSTON, MA 02210

(City)

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | e I - Non-I | Derivative | Secui | rities Acqu | ired, 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securi or(A) or Di (Instr. 3, | (A) or | d of (D) | 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) |
| Class A Common | 09/18/2012 | | M | 4,000 | A | \$ 18 \$ | 6,239 | D | |
| Class A Common | 09/18/2012 | | S | 4,000 | D | 110.11 (1) | 2,239 | D | |

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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) | Code Securities | | 6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|---|---|---|---|-----------------|---------|---|---|-------------------|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 18 | 09/18/2012 | | M | 4,000 | 09/08/2008(2) | 09/08/2013 | Class A Common | 4,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

URICH WILLIAM F C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC. ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850 BOSTON, MA 02210

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

William F. 09/18/2012 Urich

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).
- The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 4,000 shares is from \$110.00 to \$110.30. The filer will provide, upon request from the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Registrant or a shareholder of the Registrant, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2) The option vested in five equal annual installments beginning on September 8, 2004, fully vesting on September 8, 2008.

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