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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Lance Thomas W Issuer Symbol **BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]** (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10% Owner Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O THE BOSTON BEER 01/01/2013 below) COMPANY, INC., ONE DESIGN **VP** Operations **CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BOSTON, MA 02210 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of or Ranaficially On

(,)	()	Tabl	e I - Non-I	Jerivative	Secui	rities Acqu	irea, Disposea of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	tion Date 2A. Deemed ay/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) Reported (Instr. 4) Transaction(s)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Class A Common	01/01/2013		M	94	A	\$ 37.28	2,240	D	
Class A Common	01/01/2013		M	52	A	\$ 66.563	2,292	D	
Class A Common	01/01/2013		M	53	A	\$ 65.136	2,345	D	

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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securitie Acquired (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)		8. Price Deriva Securit (Instr. :
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Purchase	\$ 37.28	01/01/2013		M	94	01/01/2013	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common	469	\$ 37.
Restricted Stock Purchase	\$ 66.563	01/01/2013		M	52	01/01/2013	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common	262	\$ 66.5
Restricted Stock Purchase	\$ 65.136	01/01/2013		M	53	01/01/2013	(1)	Class A Common	268	\$ 65.1

Reporting Owners

	Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
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Lance Thomas W

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

VP Operations

BOSTON, MA 02210

Signatures

Kathleen H. Wade under POA for the benefit of Thomas W.
Lance
01/02/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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Restricted Stock Agreement shares granted pursuant to the Issuer's Employee Equity Incentive Plan vest in five equal installments over a five year period, provided that the Reporting Person remains employed by Issuer as of the applicable vesting date. The first installment vests one year from grant date and the final installment vests five years from grant date. Restricted Stock Agreement shares have no expiration date.

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