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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement BEAM INC [NYSE: BEAM] Fink Nicholas I. (Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) BEAM INC., Â 510 LAKE (Check all applicable) **COOK ROAD** (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting SVP, Chief Strategy Officer Person DEERFIELD, ILÂ 60015 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â D Common Stock, par value \$3.125 83 Through Beam Inc. Retirement Common Stock, par value \$3.125 649 Ι Savings Plan Trust. Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	Ownershin

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	(Instr. 5)
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	09/26/2013	Common Stock	2,372	\$ 61.7448	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	09/24/2014	Common Stock	2,372	\$ 67.1897	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	09/29/2015	Common Stock	1,026	\$ 47.3192	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	09/30/2012	09/30/2016	Common Stock	2,408	\$ 35.6741	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	02/22/2017	Common Stock	4,817	\$ 36.2468	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(5)	02/22/2021	Common Stock	3,011	\$ 51.0792	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(6)	10/04/2021	Common Stock	9,730	\$ 44.75	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(7)	02/21/2022	Common Stock	4,545	\$ 55.43	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit	(8)	(8)	Common Stock	2,570	\$ <u>(9)</u>	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit	(10)	(10)	Common Stock	1,245	\$ <u>(9)</u>	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
1		10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Fink Nicholas I.					
BEAM INC.	â	â	SVP, Chief Strategy Officer	â	
510 LAKE COOK ROAD	А	А	A SVP, Chief Strategy Officer	A	
DEERFIELD, IL 60015					

Signatures

Leslie W. Jensen, Attorney-in-Fact for Nicholas
I. Fink

05/09/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

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Date

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- (1) The options vested in three equal annual installments beginning on September 26, 2007.
- (2) The options vested in three equal annual installments beginning on September 24, 2008.
- (3) The options vested in three equal annual installments beginning on September 29, 2009.
- (4) The options vested as to 2,409 shares on February 22, 2012 and will vest as to the remaining 2,408 shares on February 22, 2013.
- (5) The options vested as to 1,004 shares on February 22, 2012 and will vest as to 1,004 shares on February 22, 2013 and 1,003 shares on February 22, 2014.
- (6) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on October 4, 2013.
- (7) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 21, 2013.
 - Payment of the award will be made in three equal installments on October 4, 2013, October 4, 2014, and October 4, 2015 if Mr. Fink
- (8) remains employed through such dates, subject to special provisions in the event of death, disability or termination following a change in control.
- (9) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Beam Inc. common stock.
- (10) Payment of the award will be made on or about February 21, 2015 if Mr. Fink remains employed through such date, subject to special provisions in the event of death, disability or termination following a change in control.

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