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NOTIFICATION OF REMOVAL FROM LISTING AND/OR REGISTRATION UNDER SECTION 12(b) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934.

Commission File Number 001-04802 Issuer: **BECTON DICKINSON & CO** Exchange: NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE **INC** (Exact name of Issuer as specified in its charter, and name of Exchange where security is listed and/or registered) Address: ONE BECTON DR FRANKLIN LAKE NEW JERSEY 07417 Telephone number: 2,018,476,800 (Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of Issuer's principal executive offices) Preferred Share Purchase Rights Please place an X in the box to designate the rule provision relied upon to strike the class of securities from listing and registration: 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(a)(1) 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(a)(2) 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(a)(3) **▼** 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(a)(4) Pursuant to 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(b), the Exchange has complied with its rules to strike the class of securities from listing and/or withdraw registration on the Exchange. 1 Pursuant to 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(c), the Issuer has complied with its rules of the Exchange and the requirements of 17 CFR 240.12d-2(c) governing the voluntary withdrawal of the class of securities from listing and registration on the Exchange. Pursuant to the requirements fo the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE INC certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing the Form 25 and has caused this notification to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned duly authorized person. 2006-05-22 Ву Paras Madho Director

Form 25 and attached Notice will be considered compliance with the provisions of 17 CFR 240.19d-1 as applicable. See General Instructions.

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NOTIFICATION OF THE REMOVAL FROM LISTING AND REGISTRATION OF THE STATED SECURITIES The New York Stock Exchange hereby notifies the SEC of its intention to remove the entire class of the stated securities from listing and registration on the Exchange at the opening of business on June 1, 2006, pursuant to the provisions of Rule 12d2-2 (a). [X] 17CFR240.12d2-2(a)(4) That all rights pertaining to the entire class of this security were extinguished on April 25, 2006. Pursuant to the terms of the Rights of Becton, Dickinson and Company, the Rights expired and became null and void on April 25, 2006. The Exchange also notifies the Securities and Exchange Commission that as a result of the above indicated conditions this security was suspended from trading on April 25, 2006.