SEC Form 4

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*]	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
LUDWIG EDWARD J	BECTON DICKINSON & CO [BDX]	

(Last)	(First)	(Middle)

C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY
ONE BECTON DRIVE

(Street)

FRANKLIN LAKES	NJ	07417

(City)	(State)	(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
11/24/2003

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)

X Director   10% Owner

X Officer (give title below)   Other (specify below)

Chairman, President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

X 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	11/24/2003		A		13,835[(1)]	A	$0	65,953.8[(2)]	D	
Common Stock								2,769.91[(3)]	I	By Son[(4)]
Common Stock								18,562.22	I	SIP Trust[(5)]

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 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Common Stock	$38.775	11/24/2003		A		98,961		11/24/2004[(6)]	11/24/2013	Common Stock	98,961	$0	98,961	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents shares awarded under the Becton, Dickinson and Company Stock Award Plan.

2. Includes 115 shares acquired since August 1, 2003 through dividend reinvestment.

3. Includes 8 shares acquired since August 1, 2003 through dividend reinvestment.

4. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

5. Shares are held under the Becton, Dickinson and Company Savings Incentive Plan ("SIP"). Information presented for the SIP is as of October 31, 2003.

6. The option vests in four annual installments beginning November 24, 2004.

Remarks:

Gary DeFazio, by power of attorney for Edward J. Ludwig   11/25/2003

** Signature of Reporting Person   Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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