FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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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

| Name and Address of Reporting Person* SHRADER PATRICIA B | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BECTON DICKINSON & CO [BDX] | | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to (Check all applicable) Director | | | | ner |
|--|--|--|--|-------------|---|---|------|--|--|--|--|----------------|---------------------------------|---|--|------------|--|--|----------|
| (Last) | (First) | , , | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/17/2008 | | | | | | | | | Officer (gi below) | | Other (specify below) | | pecify |
| C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY 1 BECTON DRIVE | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Indiv | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | |
| (Street) FRANKLIN LAKES | NJ | 0. | 7417 | | | | | | | | | | | | | • | • | ne Reportin | g Person |
| (City) | (State) | (Z | ip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Date | | | | h/Day/Year) | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | Transaction Dispos | | | urities Acquired (A) or ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an | | | and 5) Securities Beneficially Following | | Form | Direct (D) lirect (I) 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount (A) or (D) | | | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (111501.4) | | |
| | 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/Yea | Co | ansacti | | | ive ies ed (A) osed nstr. 3, | 6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea | | Securities Underly | | rlying | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transaction | lly | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | Code | ode | v | (A) | | Date Exercisab | | xpiration ate | Title | | Amount or Number of Shares | mount (Instr. | (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Right to Common Stock | (1) | 03/17/2008 | | | A | | 31 | | (2) | | (2) | Commo Stock | | 31 | \$84.98 | 12,546 | 5 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The securities convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- 2. The securities are generally distributable upon termination or retirement, or on the date or dates specified by the reporting person.

Remarks:

<u>Patricia Walesiewicz, by power of attorney for Patricia B. Shrader</u>

03/19/2008

** 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).
- ** 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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