## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BECTON HENRY P JR	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BECTON DICKINSON & CO [ BDX ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/30/2004	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)
C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY 1 BECTON DRIVE	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	<ol> <li>Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>X Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</li> </ol>
(Street) FRANKLIN NJ 07417 LAKES		
(City) (State) (Zip)		

## 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 A Disposed Of (I			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	· Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	11/30/2004		S		7,000	D	\$54.7	128,305	Ι	See footnote <sup>(1</sup>
Common Stock								32,000	Ι	See footnote <sup>(2</sup>
Common Stock								121,800	Ι	See footnote <sup>(3</sup>
Common Stock								108,440 <sup>(4)</sup>	Ι	See footnote <sup>(5</sup>
Common Stock								32,320(4)	Ι	By wife
Common Stock								1,600 <sup>(4)</sup>	Ι	By daughter
Common Stock								6,419.25	D	

## 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. Transac Code (Ir 8)				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	Form: Direct (D)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Held in trust and/or limited liability company for benefit of reporting person.

2. Held in charitable remainder trust of which reporting person is a remainder beneficiary.

3. Represents shares held in trust of which reporting person has become a co-trustee.

4. Beneficial ownership of these securities is expressly disclaimed.

5. By trusts for benefit of reporting person's children, with wife and independent advisor as co-trustees.

Remarks:

Patricia Walesiewicz, by power of attorney for Henry P. Becton, Jr. 12/02/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

 $^{\star}$  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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