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 Add DEGRAAN (Last) | | RD | fiddle) | 3. | Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BECTON DICKINSON & CO [BDX] Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/31/2005 | | | | | | | | | ionship of Reporting Pers all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) | | erson(s | 10% Ow Other (s below) | · |
|---|--|---------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|--|-------|--|-----|-------------------|---|-----------|---|---|--|---|-------------------------------|---|
| C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY 1 BECTON DRIVE | | | | 4. | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | 6. Indivi | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (Street) FRANKLIN LAKES | NJ | 0′ | 7417 | | | | | | | | | | | Form filed | d by More t | han Oi | ne Reportinç | g Person |
| (City) | (State |) (Z | ip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Date | | | | 2. Transact Date (Month/Day | Execution Date, | | Date, | Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. | | | rities Acquired (A) or ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5 | | | 5. Amount Securities Beneficially Following F | / Owned Reported | Form: | Direct (D) irect (I) 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | | | | Code V | ′ A | Amount (A) or (D) | | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (instr. 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 | se (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year | Code (| | 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) | | le and | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (I 3 and 4) | | rlying | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported | Ownershi Form: y Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4 | Ownership Form: | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) (D) | | Date Exercisable | | iration e | OI N | | Amount or Number of Shares | | Transaction(s (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Rights to Common Stock Under 1996 Directors Deferral Plan | (1) | 10/31/2005 | | A | | 273.78 | | (2) | | (2) | Commo Stock | | 273.78 | \$50.68 | 3,134.5 | 3 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The securities convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- 2. The securities are distributed following termination of the reporting person's service as a director, or on the date or dates specified by the reporting person.

Remarks:

Patricia Walesiewicz, by power of attorney for Edward F. DeGraan 11/02/2005

** 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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