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 SHRADER		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BECTON DICKINSON & CO [ BDX ]										tionship of R all applicabl Director		erson(	(s) to Issuer 10% Ow	/ner				
(Last)	(First)	(M SON AND COM	iddle)		ı	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/22/2008								X	Officer (give title below)  Senior Vice P		e Pre	Other (s below)	pecify	
1 BECTON DRIVE						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								- 1	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) FRANKLIN LAKES	FRANKLIN NI		07417											X		I by One R		ng Person Ine Reporting	g Person	
(City)	(State)	(Z	ip)																	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
Date					ransaction e nth/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Yea		Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a				5. Amount Securities Beneficially Following F	Folly Owned or Reported (Ir		: Direct (D) lirect (I) . 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and				(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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Dat if any (Month/Day/Ye	Co	e, Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amour Securities Underly Derivative Security 3 and 4)		rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Co	ode	v	(A)		Date Exercisab		xpiration ate	Title		Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)				
Right to Common Stock	(1)	12/22/2008			A		39		(2)		(2)	Comr Stoo		39	\$67.43	16,060 <sup>(</sup>	(3)	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The securities convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- 2. The securities are distributable upon retirement or the date or dates specified by the reporting person.
- 3. Includes units acquired through dividend reinvestment.

## Remarks:

Patricia Walesiewicz, by power of attorney for Patricia B. Shrader 01/05/2009

\*\* 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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