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1. Name and Addres		Person [*]	Symbol	er Name and			-	5. Relationship Issuer	o of Reporting Pe	rson(s) to	
(Last)	(First) (I	Middle)	BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction					(Check all applicable)			
75 ARLINGTON STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2005					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) V.P. of Brand Development			
				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
BOSTON, MA,	X1 02116								by More than One F		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities A	cquired, Disposed	l of, or Beneficia	ally Owned	1
	ansaction Date nth/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) Code V	Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or of (D) 4 and 2 (A) or) 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 Indirect Beneficia Ownershi (Instr. 4)	l
Reminder: Report or	n a separate line	e for each cla	ass of sec	urities benef	-		-	or indirectly. pond to the coll	ection of	SEC 1474	

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 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8. Pr
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Secu

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					(Inst	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.14	01/01/2005		A		10,000		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common	10,000	\$ 2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	ress Relationships								
L O	Director	10% Owner	Officer		Other				
HALL ROBERT H 75 ARLINGTON STREET BOSTON, MA, X1 02116			V.P. of Brand	Development					
Signatures									
Kathleen H. Wade under POA Hall	01/04/2005								

<u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

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

The option shall lapse as to any shares that do not become vested in a particular year.

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Reporting Person's right to exercise this option is subject to contingent vesting. The option may become exercisableas to a maximum of 2,000 shares on May 31 in each years 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010. The actual number of shares as to which the option shall become exercisable in any year is dependent upon Company performance against a benchmark determined by the Company's Board of Directors.

Date

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