## 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* KOCH C JAMES		orting Person <sup>*</sup>	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer					
(Last) C/O THE BOS' ARLINGTON S	TON BEER COMPANY, 75		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2006	(Check all applicable)  X Director X 10% Owner  X Officer (give Other (specify title below) below)  Chairman					
(Street) BOSTON, MA (City)	X1 (State)	02116 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					

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 Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Class A Common	01/01/2006		M		714	Α	\$ 5.3063	382,086	D		
Class A Common	01/01/2006		М		402	Α	\$ 10.527	382,488	D		
Class A Common	01/01/2006		M		946	Α	\$ 8.68	383,434	D		
Class A Common	01/01/2006		M		474	Α	\$ 11.079	383,908	D		
Class A Common	01/01/2006		М		297	Α	\$ 12.684	384,205	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 (Instr. 8		1 **		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date Amount of		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Purchase	\$ 5.3063	01/01/2006		М			714	(1)	(1)	Class A Common	3,567	\$ 5.3063	0	D	
Restricted Stock Purchase	\$ 10.527	01/01/2006		М			402	(1)	(1)	Class A Common	2,010	\$ 10.527	402	D	
Restricted Stock Purchase	\$ 8.68	01/01/2006		М			946	(1)	(1)	Class A Common	4,729	\$ 8.68	1,892	D	
Restricted Stock Purchase	\$ 11.079	01/01/2006		М			474	(1)	(1)	Class A Common	2,373	\$ 11.079	1,425	D	
Restricted Stock Purchase	\$ 12.684	01/01/2006		М			297	(1)	(1)	Class A Common	1,486	\$ 12.684	1,189	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Restricted Stock Purchase pursuant to the Investment Share Program under the issuer's Employee Equity Incentive Plan, shares vest at 20% over 5 years from date of purchase.

> Kathleen H. Wade under POA for benefit of C. James 01/03/2006 **Koch**

\*\* Signature of Reporting Date Person

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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