## Form 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* C. James Koch					me and Tick Beer Compa	ker or Tra	ading		6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O The Boston Beer Company, Inc. 75 Arlington Street				3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)			4. Statement for Month/Day/Year 12/09/2002				X_DirectorX_10% Owner X_Officer (give title below)Other (specify below) Chairman			
(Street) Boston, MA 02116						5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)				7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(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)	Execution Transaction or Dis			4. Securitie or Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	4 and 5) Beneficia Following				ly Owned Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code	v	Amou	unt	(A) or (D)	Price	Price Transactio		(Instr. 4)			
Class A Common	12/09/2002		s			10,455	D	15.0122			D			
Class A Common										775,110	D			
Class A Common										363,107	I			

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 Instructions 4(b)(v).

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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 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)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr.3,4 and 5)		6. Date Exercis and Expirati (Month/Day/ <sup>\</sup>	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	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	(Instr. 4)		

/s/ C. James Koch

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person C. James Koch

Explanation of Responses:

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

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed.

If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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