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0.5 response 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person^{*} 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM] Issuer **KOCH C JAMES** (Check all applicable) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X Director X 10% Owner 09/30/2010 (Last) (First) (Middle) Officer (give Other (specify Х C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, ONE title below) below) DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850 Chairman 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Street) (Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) BOSTON 02210 MA 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)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Secur Dispose (Instr. 3	d 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	09/30/2010		S		2,000	D	\$ 67.0025 ^{(1) (2)}	342,867	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		· · ·		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		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				

Explanation of Responses:

1. The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the shares is from \$66.18 to \$68.05.

2. The filer will provide, upon request from the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Registrant or a shareholder of the Registrant, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

Kathleen H. Wade under
POA for the benefit of C.
James Koch09/30** Signature of Reporting
PersonDate

<u>09/30/2010</u>

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).

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