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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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| <b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</b><br><b>KOCH C JAMES</b><br><br>(Last) (First) (Middle)<br><b>C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850</b><br><br>(Street)<br><b>BOSTON MA 02210</b><br><br>(City) (State) (Zip) | <b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b><br><b>BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]</b> | <b>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</b><br>(Check all applicable)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)<br><p style="text-align: center;"><b>Chairman</b></p> |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>3. Date of Earliest Transaction</b><br>(Month/Day/Year)<br><b>11/23/2012</b>       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed</b><br>(Month/Day/Year)                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

**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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V | Amount                                                            | (A) or (D) | Price                        |                                                                                               |                                                          |                                                       |
| Class A Common                  | 11/23/2012                           |                                                    | S                              |   | 300                                                               | D          | \$ 113.64 <sup>(1) (3)</sup> | 84,448                                                                                        | D                                                        |                                                       |
| Class A Common                  | 11/23/2012                           |                                                    | S                              |   | 2,700                                                             | D          | \$ 114.89 <sup>(2) (3)</sup> | 81,748                                                                                        | D                                                        |                                                       |
| Class A Common                  |                                      |                                                    |                                |   |                                                                   |            |                              | 23,486                                                                                        | I                                                        | Custodian for children under UGTMA                    |
| Class A Common                  |                                      |                                                    |                                |   |                                                                   |            |                              | 3,656                                                                                         | I                                                        | By spouse as custodian for children under UGTMA       |
| Class A Common                  |                                      |                                                    |                                |   |                                                                   |            |                              | 2,532                                                                                         | I                                                        | By spouse in trust for children                       |
| Class A Common                  |                                      |                                                    |                                |   |                                                                   |            |                              | 22,756                                                                                        | I                                                        | By spouse in trust under GRAT                         |

