FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* KOCH C JAMES			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
ARLINGTO	Last) (First) (Middle) C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, 75 ARLINGTON STREET		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2005	X Director X 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Chairman Other (specify below)				
(Street) BOSTON, MA X1 02116 (City) (State) (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. Transac Code (Instr. 8)			spos	Acquired ed of (D) nd 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price	4)				
Class A Common	04/01/2005		S		5,000	D	\$ 21.4512	155,291	I	Note 1 (1)		

	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)	saction Number of Derivative		Expiration Date		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. Reflects 32,456 shares held by Reporting Person's children and shares held by a limited liability company in which the children of the Reporting Person have a pecuniary interest, but to which the Reporting Person disclaims any beneficial ownership.

> Kathleen H. Wade under POA for the benefit of C. 04/04/2005 James 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).

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