FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM] | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | | | |
|--|---|--|--------|------------------------------------|---|---|--------|-----------|--|--------|--|--|---|-----------------------|--|--|--|-----------------|--|--|
| , | | | | | - 3. Da | te of | Ear | liest Tra | nsaction (N | /lonth | n/Day/Yea | ar) | | | 0#10 | tor er (give title | | | wner (specify | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | | | | | | 09/12/2003 | | | | | | | | | X below | | | below) | | |
| C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | President and C.E.O. | | | | |
| 75 ARLINGTON STREET | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | |
| (Street) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | X Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| BOSTON MA 02166 | | | | | _ | | | | | | | | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| (City) | (S | tate) (| (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - | Non-Deri | vative | Sec | urit | ties A | cquired, | Dis | posed | of, or | Bene | eficia | ally Own | ed | | | | |
| Da | | | | 2. Transac Date (Month/Da | y/Year) | Execution Date, | | | 3. Transact Code (In) 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3 5) | | | | and Secur | icially d | 6. Own Form: I (D) or Indirec (Instr. 4 | Direct t (I) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | Code | v | Amoun | | | | t (A) (D) | or | Price | Repo Trans | | (1150 | •) | (1150. 4) | | | | |
| Class A Common 09/12/20 | | | | | | 03 | | | М | | 2,50 | 0 | 1 | \$8.43 | 75 | 6,009 | I |) | | |
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| | | Та | able I | I - Deriva (e.g., p | | | | | uired, D s, option | | | | | | y Owned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | if any | eemed tion Date, h/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | Number | | 6. Date Ex. Expiration (Month/Da | Date | • | Amoun Securiti Underly Derivati | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Jnderlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactior (Instr. 4) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisabl | | xpiration ate | Title | or Nu of | nount mber ares | | | | | | |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$8.4375 | 09/12/2003 | | | М | | | 1,200 | 01/01/2000 | 0 | 3/31/2004 | Class A Commo | 8, | ,000 | \$8.4375 | 0 | | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

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Remarks:

Stock

Option

Buy)

(Right to

Martin F. Roper

Class A

Common

03/31/2004

09/12/2003 Date

8,700

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** Signature of Reporting Person

10,000

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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).

09/12/2003

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