FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) 75 ARLINGTO (Street)	(First) N STREET	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/12/2004	Director 10% Owner Officer (give (specify below) V.P. of Brand Development				
BOSTON, MA (City)	X1 (State)	02116 (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)		Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount 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	11/22/2004		М		3,000	Α	\$ 8.625	3,000	D		
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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)	Code	Transaction Number of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amount of Underlying		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				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.625	11/22/2004		D			3,000	(1)	06/11/2010	Class A Common	180,000	\$ 8.625	26,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Of these 180,000 option shares, the remaining 36,000 shares will vest on 6/12/05

Kathleen H. Wade under POA for the benefit of Robert H. Hall

11/23/2004

** Signature of Reporting

Person

Date

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

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