

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC

Form 4

April 05, 2010

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HAGEMANN ROBERT

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC
[DGX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS
INCORPORATED, 3 GIRALDA
FARMS**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
04/01/2010

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
SVP & Chief Financial Officer

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

MADISON, NJ 07940

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____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. 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)
Common Stock	04/01/2010		M	3,571 A	\$ 24.76 118,438	D	
Common Stock	04/01/2010		S	3,571 D	\$ 58.6575 114,867 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock					1,744	I	SDCP ⁽²⁾

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.76	04/01/2010		M ⁽⁴⁾	3,571	02/13/2006 ⁽³⁾ 02/13/2013	Common Stock 3,571

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
HAGEMANN ROBERT C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED 3 GIRALDA FARMS MADISON, NJ 07940	SVP & Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ William J. O'Shaughnessy, Jr., Attorney in Fact for Robert Hagemann

04/02/2010

____Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) The amount includes exempt purchases made under the Company's stock purchase plan since the date of the last filing on Form 4.
These underlying shares were acquired on a periodic basis by the trustee of the Company's Supplemental Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (2) The information was obtained from the plan administrator as of a recent date. The number of shares is based on the account balance of the Company stock fund under the plan (which includes some money market instruments), divided by the market price of the Company's stock as of that date.
- (3) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the first annual anniversary of the grant date.
- (4) The exercise and sale reported were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 sales plan adopted by the reporting person on February 3, 2010.

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