#### BECTON HENRY P JR

Form 4/A

December 02, 2004

# FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BECTON HENRY P JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BECTON DICKINSON & CO [BDX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)  C/O BECTON COMPANY,			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/06/2004	XDirector 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
FRANKLIN I	(Street)	07417	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) 07/06/2004	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) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3.		4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	07/06/2004		G	V	24,000	D	\$0	32,000	I	See footnote (1)
Common Stock	07/06/2004		G	V	4,800	A	\$0	135,305	I	See footnote (2)
Common Stock	07/06/2004		G	V	4,800	A	\$0	121,800	I	See footnote (3)
Common Stock								108,440 (4)	I	See footnote (5)
Common Stock								32,320 (4)	I	By wife

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Common Stock Common	1,600 <u>(4)</u>	I	By daughter					
Stock	6,419.25 <u>(6)</u>	D						
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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed o (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)		8. P. Deri Secu (Ins
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Rights to Common Stock Under 1996 Directors Deferral	Œ	07/30/2004		A	296.35	<u>(8)</u>	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	296.35	\$ 4

# **Reporting Owners**

Plan

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BECTON HENRY P JR C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY 1 BECTON DRIVE FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417	X						
Signatures							
Patricia Walesiewicz, by power of attorney for He Becton, Jr.	12/02/	2004					
**Signature of Reporting Person	Dat	e					

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## **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) Held in charitable remainder trust of which reporting person is a remainder beneficiary.
- (2) Held in trust and/or limited liability company for benefit of reporting person.
- (3) Represents shares held in trust of which reporting person has become a co-trustee.
- (4) Beneficial ownership of these securities is expressly disclaimed.
- (5) By trusts for benefit of reporting person's children, with wife and independent advisor as co-trustees.
- (6) Includes shares acquired through dividend reinvestment since the last report filed by the reporting person.
- (7) The securities convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (8) The securities are distributed following termination of the reporting person's service as a director, on the date or dates specified by the reporting person.
- (9) Includes rights acquired through dividend reinvestment since the last report filed by the reporting person.

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