BECTON DICKINSON & CO

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TOZZI WILLIAM A	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BECTON DICKINSON & CO [BDX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY, 1 BECTON DRIVE	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/19/2008	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP - Finance			
(Street) FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417	4. If Amendment, Date 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			

(City)	(State) 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)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			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	08/19/2008		Code V M	Amount 12,000	(D)	Price \$ 29.99	28,438	D	
Common Stock	08/19/2008		S	8,290	D	\$ 87.55 (1)	20,148	D	
Common Stock	08/19/2008		F	1,274	D	\$ 87.3	18,874	D	
Common Stock							191 (2)	I	SIP Trust

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of ionDerivative Securities Acquired (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
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.99	08/19/2008		M		12,000	(3)	11/25/2012	Common Stock	12,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

TOZZI WILLIAM A C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY 1 BECTON DRIVE FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417

VP - Finance

Signatures

Patricia Walesiewicz, by power of attorney for William A. Tozzi

08/20/2008

**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).
- The reported sale price reflects the weighted average sale price for eleven separate transactions. The actual sales prices for the
- (1) transactions ranged from \$87.54 to \$87.55. Full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price will be provided to the Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer upon request.
- (2) Represents shares of common stock held under the Becton, Dickinson and Company Savings Incentive Plan (the "SIP"). The information presented for the SIP is as of July 31, 2008.

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(3) The option became exercisable in four annual installments beginning November 25, 2003.

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