#### LUDWIG EDWARD J

Form 4

November 17, 2010

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

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **LUDWIG EDWARD J** Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

**BECTON DICKINSON & CO** [BDX]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 11/15/2010

\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Chairman and CEO

C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY, 1 BECTON DRIVE

(Street)

(State)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

#### FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417

(City)	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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			<b>)</b> )	5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	11/15/2010		M	100,000	A	\$ 29.99	280,592 (1)	D		
Common Stock	11/15/2010		S	100,000	D	\$ 77.7 (2)	180,592	D		
Common Stock							27,220	I	By GRATS	
Common Stock							28,111 (3)	I	SIP Trust	

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 or Derivative 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 Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.99	11/15/2010		M		100,000	<u>(4)</u>	11/25/2012	Common Stock	100,00

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
LUDWIG EDWARD J C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY 1 BECTON DRIVE FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417	X		Chairman and CEO			

### **Signatures**

Patricia Walesiewicz, by power of attorney for Edward J.
Ludwig

\*\*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) Includes units acquired through dividend reinvestment since the last report filed by the reporting person.
- The reported sale price reflects the weighted average sale price for multiple transactions. The actual sales prices for the transactions (2) ranged from \$77.39 through \$78.08. 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.
- (3) 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 October 31, 2010.
- (4) The option became exercisable in four annual installments beginning November 25, 2003.

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