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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **KOCH C JAMES** Issuer Symbol **BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]** (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director X 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O THE BOSTON BEER 03/17/2005 below) COMPANY, 75 ARLINGTON Chairman STREET (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

BOSTON, MA, X1 02116

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Reneficially Owned

| | Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, of Beneficiary 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. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3, | ispose 4 and (A) or | d of (D) | 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) | |
| Class A Common | 03/17/2005 | | S | 4,000 | D | \$ 23.2 | 166,291 | I | Note 1 (1) | |
| Class A Common | 03/17/2005 | | S | 1,000 | D | \$ 23.27 | 165,291 | I | Note 1 (1) | |

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 2. 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|---|-------------|--------|
| Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionNumber Expiration Date Amount of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security or Exercise any Code of (Month/Day/Year) Underlying | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Derivative Securities | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| Derivative Securities (Instr. 3 and 4 |) | Own |
| Security Acquired | | Follo |
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| Amour | nt . | |
| or | | |
| Date Expiration Title Number | r | |
| Exercisable Date of | 1 | |
| Code V (A) (D) Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------|-------|--|--|
| r | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| KOCH C JAMES C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY 75 ARLINGTON STREET BOSTON, MA, X1 02116 | X | X | Chairman | | | |

Signatures

Helen F. Bornemann under POA of the benefit of C. James 03/18/2005 Koch

> **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).
- Reflects 32,456 shares held by Reporting Person's children and shares held by a limited liability company in which the children of the Reporting Person have a pecuniary interest, but to which the Reporting Person disclaims any beneficial ownership.

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