

George Kevin B
Form 4
May 31, 2012

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 *
George Kevin B

(Last) (First) (Middle)

BEAM INC., 510 LAKE COOK
ROAD

(Street)

DEERFIELD, IL 60015

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
BEAM INC [NYSE: BEAM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/30/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify
below)

SVP & Chief Marketing Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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, par value \$3.125	05/30/2012		M ⁽¹⁾	16,063	A \$ 36.2468	16,063	D
Common Stock, par value \$3.125	05/30/2012		S	16,063	D \$ 59.7565	0	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.2468	05/30/2012		M ⁽¹⁾	16,063	⁽³⁾ 02/22/2017	Common Stock	16,063

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
George Kevin B BEAM INC. 510 LAKE COOK ROAD DEERFIELD, IL 60015	Director 10% Owner Officer Other SVP & Chief Marketing Officer

Signatures

Leslie W. Jensen, as Attorney-in-Fact for Kevin B.
George 05/31/2012

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Reflects the exercise of stock options issued under the Issuer's Long-Term Incentive Plans.

The price in column 4 is the weighted average selling price of the shares. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$59.68 to \$59.83, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the SEC, the Issuer and any security holder full information regarding the number of shares and the prices at which the shares were sold.

(3) The options vested as to 16,063 shares on February 22, 2012 and will vest as to the remaining 16,064 shares on February 22, 2013.

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