QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BONGIORNO THOMAS F | | | 2. Issuer Flame und Florier of Flading | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|------------|--------|-------------|---|--|---|--|
| ~ | (First) (T DIAGNOSTIC RATED, 3 GIRA | (Month/I NOSTICS 06/29/2 | | | Day/ Tear) | | | | Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP and Corporate Controller | | |
| MADISON | | | | endment, Da onth/Day/Year | _ | 1 | - - | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | |
| (City) | (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially | | | | | | | ly Owned | | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deen Execution any (Month/E | ned n Date, if | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securit | ies Ac | equired (A) | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock | 06/29/2012 | | | M(1) | 15,000 | A | \$ 52.235 | 25,941 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 06/29/2012 | | | S <u>(1)</u> | 15,000 | D | \$ 59.54 | 10,973 (2) | D | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 3,004 (3) | I | 401k | |

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 onDerivative 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 |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 52.235 | 06/29/2012 | | M(1) | 15,000 | <u>(4)</u> | 02/15/2013 | Common Stock | 15,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BONGIORNO THOMAS F C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED 3 GIRALDA FARMS MADISON, NJ 07940

VP and Corporate Controller

Signatures

/s/ William J. O'Shaughnessy, Jr., Attorney in Fact for Thomas F. Bongiorno

07/03/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The exercise and sale reported were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 sales plan adopted by the reporting person on May 16, 2012.
- (2) The amount includes exempt purchases made under the Company's stock purchase plan since the date of the last filing on Form 4.
 - These underlying shares were acquired on a periodic basis by the trustee of the Company's tax qualified Profit Sharing Plan (401(k)). The information was obtained from the plan administrator as of a current date. The number of shares is based on the account balance of the Company stock fund under the Plan (which includes some money market instruments) divided by the market price of the Company stock as of that date.
- (4) The options vested in three installments beginning with the first on February 15, 2007, the second on February 15, 2008 and the final on February 15, 2009.

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