BOSTON BEER CO INC

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Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **KOCH C JAMES**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 11/04/2004

_X__ Director X__ 10% Owner Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

X_ Officer (give title below) Chairman

C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, 75 ARLINGTON **STREET**

> (Street) 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

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

BOSTON, MA, X1 02116

(State)

		140	ione I from Bettivative Securities required, Disposed of, of Beneficiary 6 whea					
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acc	quired (A)	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	omr Disposed of ((D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5	5)	Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)			Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership
						Following	or Indirect	(Instr. 4)
				(4)		Reported	(I)	
				(A)		Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	
			Code V	or Amount (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
~1 ·			Code v					
Class A Common	11/04/2004		S	5 000 10	\$ 23.0932	385,571	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)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	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

Kathleen H. Wade under POA on behalf of C. James
Koch
11/04/2004

**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).

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