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(Print or Type	Responses)										
1. Name and A KOCH C JA	Address of Reporting F AMES	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading mbol				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer					
(Last)	(First) (M		BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Chee						ck all applicable)		
C/O THE E COMPANY STREET	Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2004				_X_ Director _X_ 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Chairman						
BOSTON,	Amendment, Date Original (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 						
(City)		Zip) ,	Table I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Aca	Person	or Beneficial	ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (A)			cquired d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial				
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Class A Common	12/29/2004		S	300	D	\$ 20.76	224,991	Ι	Note 1 (1)		
Class A Common	12/29/2004		S	100	D	\$ 20.77	224,891	I	Note 1 (1)		
Class A Common	12/29/2004		S	100	D	\$ 21.2	224,791	I	Note 1 (1)		
Class A Common	12/29/2004		S	100	D	\$ 21.22	224,691	I	Note 1 (1)		
Class A Common	12/29/2004		S	1,000	D	\$ 21.21	223,691	Ι	Note 1 (1)		

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Class A Common	12/29/2004	S	700	D	\$ 20.8	222,991	Ι	Note 1 (1)
Class A Common	12/29/2004	S	800	D	\$ 20.85	222,191	Ι	Note 1 (1)
Class A Common	12/29/2004	S	700	D	\$ 20.83	221,491	Ι	Note 1 (1)
Class A Common	12/29/2004	S	100	D	\$ 21	221,391	Ι	Note 1 (1)
Class A Common	12/29/2004	S	100	D	\$ 20.95	221,291	Ι	Note 1 (1)
Class A Common	12/29/2004	S	1,000	D	\$ 21.1	220,291	Ι	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		4. T	5.	6. Date Exer			le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day	(Year)	Unde	rlying	Security	Secu
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						Date	Expiration	Title	Number		
						Exercisable	Date	1 IIIC	of		
				Code V	(Λ) (D)						
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

Kathleen H. Wade under POA for the benefit of C. James Koch

12/30/2004

**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).
- (1) 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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