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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Doherty Catherine T. | | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC [DGX] | | | | |
|---|------------------------------|--|---|--|--|----------------------------|---|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 05/17/2011 | 4. Relationshi Person(s) to Is | | 5 | 5. If Amendment, Date Origina Filed(Month/Day/Year) | |
| C/O QUEST INCORPOR GIRALDA F MADISON,4 | ATED, 3 FARMS (Street) | IAGNOSTICS (Check all appli 'ED, 3 (Check all appli RMS Director Street) (give title below) (spec SVP, Physician Ser SVP | | | <pre> 10% Other v) (specify below)</pre> | Owner r ow) | vner 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Table I - N | Non-Derivat | ive Securiti | ies Ber | neficially Owned | |
| 1.Title of Secur (Instr. 4) | ity | | 2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4) | | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nat Owner (Instr. | * | |
| Common Sto | ock | | 56,057 <u>(1)</u> | | D | Â | | |
| Common Sto | ock | | 3,401 (2) | | Ι | 401(1 | x)/SDCP | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Date Exercisable and | 3. Title and Amount of | 4. | 5. | 6. Nature of Indirect |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| (Instr. 4) | Expiration Date | Securities Underlying | Conversion | Ownership | Beneficial Ownership |
| | (Month/Day/Year) | Derivative Security | or Exercise | Form of | (Instr. 5) |

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| | | | (Instr. 4) | | Price of | Derivative | |
|------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|---|---|
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Derivative Security | Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | (3) | 02/15/2013 | Common Stock | 40,000 | \$ 52.24 | D | Â |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | (<u>3)</u> | 02/12/2014 | Common Stock | 43,334 | \$ 52.25 | D | Â |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | (<u>3)</u> | 02/19/2014 | Common Stock | 33,000 | \$ 40.43 | D | Â |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | (3) | 08/16/2014 | Common Stock | 25,000 | \$ 53.19 | D | Â |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | (<u>3)</u> | 03/04/2015 | Common Stock | 23,667 | \$ 47.49 | D | Â |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | (<u>3)</u> | 02/11/2019 | Common Stock | 23,667 | \$ 51.2 | D | Â |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | (<u>3)</u> | 02/10/2020 | Common Stock | 23,667 | \$ 55.65 | D | Â |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | (<u>3)</u> | 02/15/2021 | Common Stock | 23,667 | \$ 56.82 | D | Â |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | (<u>3)</u> | 05/16/2021 | Common Stock | 9,167 | \$ 57.35 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | Relationships | | | | | |
|--|-----------|---------------|------------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Doherty Catherine T. C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED 3 GIRALDA FARMS MADISON, NJ 07940 | Â | Â | SVP, Physician Services Bus. | Â | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | |
| /s/ William J. O'Shaughnessy, Jr., Attorney in Fact Doherty | for Cathe | erine T. | 05/19/2011 | | | | |
| <u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Person | | | Date | | | | |
| Explanation of Responses: | | | | | | | |

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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 amount includes exempt purchases made under the Company's stock purchase plan.

(2) These underlying shares were acquired on a periodic basis by the trustee of the Company's tax qualified Profit Sharing (401(k)) and/or Supplemental Deferred Compensation Plan. The information was obtained from the plan administrator as of a current date.

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The number of shares is based on the account balance of the Company stock fund under each Plan (which includes some money market instruments) divided by the market price of the Company stock as of that date.

(3) Stock options which vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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