

BOSTON BEER CO INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Grinnell David L.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC., ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850

(Street)

BOSTON, X1 02159

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/26/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Vice President of Brewing

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
Class A Common	03/26/2008		M	650	A	\$ 14.47	650	D
Class A Common	03/26/2008		M	850	A	\$ 18.465	1,500	D
Class A Common	03/26/2008		M	200	A	\$ 21.14	1,700	D
Class A Common	03/26/2008		S	900	D	\$ 48.75	800	D
Class A Common	03/26/2008		S	600	D	\$ 48.78	200	D

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Class A Common 03/26/2008 S 200 D \$ 48.82 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. F Der Sec (Ins	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.47	03/26/2008		M	650	01/01/2008	01/01/2013	Class A Common	12,000 \$
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.465	03/26/2008		M	850	<u>(1)</u>	01/01/2014	Class A Common	9,000 \$
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.14	03/26/2008		M	200	<u>(2)</u>	01/01/2015	Class A Common	8,000 \$

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Grinnell David L.  
C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC.  
ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850  
BOSTON, X1 02159

Vice President of Brewing

## Signatures

Kathleen H. Wade under POA for the benefit of David L.  
Grinnell

03/27/2008

\_\_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) Of this option, the remaining 1,800 shares will vest on 1/1/2009.

(2) Of this option, 1,600 shares will vest on 1/1/2009 and 1/1/2010.

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