

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Lance Thomas W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

12 ALLEN AVENUE

(Street)

MANCHESTER, MA, X1 01944

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 01/29/2007

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)

VP Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. De
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 34.7	01/29/2007	A	80,000					(1)	(1)	Class A Comon	80,000
Restricted Stock Award	\$ 0	01/29/2007	A	10,000					(2)	(2)	Class A Common	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lance Thomas W 12 ALLEN AVENUE MANCHESTER, MA, X1 01944			VP Operations	

Signatures

Thomas W.
Lance

01/31/2007

__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).
- Reporting Person's right to exercise this option is contingent upon the Reporting Person meeting two performance criteria, the achievement of which will be determined by the Company's Board of Directors on or before March 1, 2009. If neither criterion is met, then the Option shall lapse. If only one of the two criteria is met, then the Option shall lapse as to 50% of the Shares. If one or both of the
- (1) criteria are met, the Option will become exercisable as to a maximum of 20,000 Shares on each of March 1, 2009, January 22, 2010, January 22, 2011 and January 22, 2011, so long as the Reporting Person continues to be employed by the Company on the applicable vesting dates.
 - (2) Restricted Stock Award vests 20% on 1/22/08, 1/22/09, 1/22/10 1/22/11 and 1/22/12

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