### **BECTON DICKINSON & CO**

Form 4

February 28, 2008

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* COHEN GARY M

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

**BECTON DICKINSON & CO** 

[BDX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2008

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title below)

**Executive Vice President** 

C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY, 1 BECTON DRIVE

(Middle)

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

FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417

(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-E	Derivative (	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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)
Common Stock	02/26/2008		M	61,666	` /	\$ 29.99	134,657	D	
Common Stock	02/26/2008		S	61,666	D	\$ 91.67 (1)	72,991	D	
Common Stock							15,285 <u>(2)</u>	I	SIP Trust

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 Underlying Securition (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.99	02/26/2008		M	61,666	11/25/2003(3)	11/25/2012	Common Stock	61,6

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

COHEN GARY M C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY 1 BECTON DRIVE FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417

**Executive Vice President** 

## **Signatures**

Patricia Walesiewicz, by power of attorney for Gary M.

Cohen 02/28/2008

\*\*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) The reported sale price reflects an average price for numerous separate transactions. The actual sales prices for the transactions ranged from \$91.49 through \$91.96.
- (2) Represents shares of common stock held under the Becton, Dickinson and Company Savings Incentive Plan (the "SIP"). The information presented for the SIP is as of January 31, 2008.
- (3) The option became exercisable in four annual installments beginning November 25, 2003.

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