ZEWE DAVID M Form 4 February 24, 2005

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

ZEWE DAVID M Issuer Symbol QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC (Check all applicable) [DGX] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) ONE MALCOLM AVENUE 02/22/2005 SVP, Diagnostic Testing Ops (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting TETERBORO, NJ 07608 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common $18,603 \frac{(1)}{}$ D Stock

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 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 97.48	02/22/2005		A	26,667	02/22/2006	02/22/2015	Common Stock	26,667

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ZEWE DAVID M ONE MALCOLM AVENUE TETERBORO, NJ 07608

SVP, Diagnostic Testing Ops

Signatures

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**Signature of Person

**Bignature of Person

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).
- Certain of these shares are subject to restrictions on transfer, the possibility of forfeiture and/or certain other terms contained in the (1) underlying stock agreements and related plan documents. This amount also includes exempt purchases made under the Company's stock purchase plan since the date of the last filing on Form 4.
- 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 obtain from the plan administrator as of a recent date. The number of shares is based on the account balance of the Company stock fund under the plan (which includes some money market instruments) divided by the market price of the Company's stock as of that date.
- (3) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the anniversary of this grant.

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