KOCH C JAMES Form 4

January 03, 2005

FORM 4

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **KOCH C JAMES**

> (First) (Middle) (Last)

C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, 75 ARLINGTON **STREET**

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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_X__ Director X__ 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title below) Chairman

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

BOSTON, MA, X1 02116

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | le I - Non-I | Derivative | Secu | rities 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | . 4. Securities Acquired Cransaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | Code V | Amount | or (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Class A Common | 01/01/2005 | | M | 863 | A | \$ 4.2938 | 382,984 | D | |
| Class A Common | 01/01/2005 | | M | 714 | A | \$ 5.3063 | 383,698 | D | |
| Class A Common | 01/01/2005 | | M | 402 | A | \$ 10.527 | 384,100 | D | |
| Class A Common | 01/01/2005 | | M | 946 | A | \$ 8.68 | 385,046 | D | |
| Class A Common | 01/01/2005 | | M | 474 | A | \$ 11.079 | 385,520 | 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | orof Deri Secu Acq (A) of Disp of (I | posed D) tr. 3, 4, | | ate | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price Derivat Securit (Instr. : |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Restricted Stock Purchase | \$ 4.2938 | 01/01/2005 | | M | | 863 | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Class A Common | 4,307 | \$ 4.29 |
| Restricted Stock Purchase | \$ 5.3063 | 01/01/2005 | | M | | 714 | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Class A Common | 3,567 | \$ 5.30 |
| Restricted Stock Purchase | \$ 10.527 | 01/01/2005 | | M | | 402 | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Class A Common | 2,010 | \$ 10.5 |
| Restricted Stock Purchase | \$ 8.68 | 01/01/2005 | | M | | 946 | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Class A Common | 4,729 | \$ 8.6 |
| Restricted Stock Purchase | \$ 11.079 | 01/01/2005 | | M | | 474 | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Class A Common | 2,373 | \$ 11.0 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|----------|-------|--|--|
| r | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| KOCH C JAMES | | | | | | |
| C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY | X | X | Chairman | | | |
| 75 ARLINGTON STREET | Λ | Λ | Chairman | | | |
| BOSTON, MA, X1 02116 | | | | | | |

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Signatures

Kathleen H. Wade under POA for the benefit of C. James
Koch
01/03/2005

**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) Restricted Stock Purchase pursuant to the Investment Share Program under the issuer's Employee Equity Incentive Plan, shares vest at 20% over 5 years from date of purchase.

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