KOCH C JAMES Form 4

January 20, 2005

FORM 4

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KOCH C JAMES			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, 75 ARLINGTON		₹	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/19/2005	_X_ Director _X_ 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman		
STREET	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
	(Succe)		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		

BOSTON, MA, X1 02116

(City)	(State) ((Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially							ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Class A Common	01/19/2005		S	500	D D	\$ 24	209,791	I	Note 1 (1)
Class A Common	01/19/2005		S	2,000	D	\$ 24.05	207,791	I	Note 1 (1)
Class A Common	01/19/2005		S	1,500	D	\$ 23.94	206,291	I	Note 1 (1)
Class A Common	01/19/2005		S	500	D	\$ 23.98	205,791	I	Note 1 (1)
Class A Common	01/19/2005		S	500	D	\$ 23.95	205,291	I	Note 1 (1)

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)]
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
	Security				Acquired						J
					(A) or]
					Disposed						-
					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration	m	or		
						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
				~					of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

C. James Koch 01/20/2005

**Signature of 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) Reflects 32,456 shares held by Reporting Person's children and shares held by a limited liability company in which the children of the Reporting Person have a pecuniary interest, but to which the Reporting Person disclaims any beneficial ownership.

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