

BOSTON BEER CO INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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

(Print or Type Responses)

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC., ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850

(Street)

BOSTON, MA 02210

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/04/2015

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)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Class A Common	03/04/2015		M	6,000 A \$ 18.51	9,342 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Class A Common	03/04/2015		S	500 D \$ 257.25	8,842	D	
Class A Common	03/04/2015		S	800 D \$ 259	8,042	D	
Class A Common	03/04/2015		S	1,500 D \$ 260.49 <sup>(2)</sup>	6,542	D	
	03/04/2015		S	833 D	5,709	D	

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Class A Common					\$ 261.85 (3)		
Class A Common	03/04/2015	S	1,261	D	\$ 263.05 (4)	4,448	D
Class A Common	03/04/2015	S	755	D	\$ 263.95 (5)	3,693	D
Class A Common	03/04/2015	S	351	D	\$ 265.08 (6)	3,342	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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
Class A Common Stock Option	\$ 18.51	03/04/2015		M	6,000	03/01/2011 <sup>(7)</sup> 03/13/2019	Class A Common	60,000	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lance Thomas W C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC. ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850 BOSTON, MA 02210			VP Operations	

## Signatures

Kathleen Wade under POA for the benefit of Thomas W.  
Lance

03/05/2015

\_\_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 shares reported include 487 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting conditions.

The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 1,500 shares is from \$260.21 to \$261.00. The Filing Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.

(3) The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 833 shares is from \$261.35 to \$262.23. The Filing Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.

(4) The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 1,261 shares is from \$262.58 to \$263.35. The Filing Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.

(5) The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 755 shares is from \$263.61 to \$264.60. The Filing Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.

(6) The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 351 shares is from \$265.00 to \$265.76. The Filing Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request of the SEC, the Registrant, or a shareholder of the Registrant.

(7) On 3/13/2009, the Issuer granted the Reporting Person a contingent vesting option of 60,000 shares of Class A Common Stock. The option vested in three equal installments: The first on 3/1/2011, the second on 03/01/2012, and the third on 03/01/2013.

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