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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Grinnell David L.			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
	(First) OSTON BEER (DESIGN CENTE	(Middle) COMPANY, ER PLACE, SUITE	- 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/28/2011	(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give Other (specify title below) Vice President of Brewing				
(Street) BOSTON (City)	Street) BOSTON MA 02210		4. If Amendment, Date of 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 				

	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned												
1.Title of Security (Instr.	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed3.Execution Date,Transaif anyCode(Month/Day/Year)(Instr.		ransaction		rities d (A) d of , 4 a	or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	Beneficial Ownership			
3)			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)			

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)	Code	Transaction Number		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 46.6	02/28/2011		A		2,700		(1)	01/01/2019	Class A Common	2,700	\$0	_{2,700} ⁽¹⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. On 1/1/2010, the Reporting Person was granted this contingent vesting option which was based on the Company's 2010 performance. On 2/28/2011, the performance conditions were met. Thus, 540 shares vested on 3/1/2011 and 540 shares will vest on each of 1/1/2012, 1/1/2013, 1/1/2014 and 1/1/2015, so long as the Reporting Person continues to be employed by the Company on the applicable vesting date.

 Kathleen H. Wade under

 POA for the benefit of David
 03/02/2011

 Grinnell
 ** Signature of Reporting

 Person
 Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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