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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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

<b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</b> Grinnell David L. <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC., ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850 <hr/> (Street) BOSTON MA 02210 <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip)	<b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b> BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]	<b>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</b> (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Vice President of Brewing
	<b>3. Date of Earliest Transaction</b> (Month/Day/Year) 08/20/2012	
	<b>4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed</b> (Month/Day/Year)	

**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	08/20/2012		M		200	A	\$ 14.47	2,756	D	
Class A Common	08/20/2012		M		450	A	\$ 18.465	3,206	D	
Class A Common	08/20/2012		S		650	D	\$ 108.6	2,556	D	

**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)		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)	\$ 14.47	08/20/2012		M			200	01/01/2008 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/01/2013	Class A Common	200	\$ 0	100	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.465	08/20/2012		M			450	01/01/2009 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/01/2014	Class A Common	450	\$ 0	450	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. Options became fully vested at 20% each year over 5 years from date of grant.

Kathleen H. Wade under  
POS for the benefit of      08/21/2012  
David L. Grinnell

\*\* Signature of Reporting      Date  
Person

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).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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