BOSTON BEER CO INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Geist John C

(Middle)

(Last) (First)

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

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]

(Month/Day/Year) 01/06/2016

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chief Sales Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(Zip)

BOSTON, MA, X1 02210

(City)

Table I - Non	-Derivative Se	curities Acqui	ired Disnose	d of or	Reneficially	Owned
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1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3.	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	(Worldin Day, Tear)	any	Code	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned Following	(D) or Indirect (I)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
					(A) or		Reported Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Class A Common	01/06/2016		M(1)	8,000	A	\$ 95.09 (2)	8,443 (3)	D	
Class A Common	01/06/2016		S <u>(1)</u>	4,100	D	\$ 190.47 (2)	4,343 (3)	D	
Class A Common	01/06/2016		S(1)	2,753	D	\$ 191.2 (4)	1,590 (3)	D	
Class A Common	01/06/2016		S <u>(1)</u>	1,147	D	\$ 192.5 (5)	443 (3)	D	

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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)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	f Derivative Expiration Date decurities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired A) or Disposed of D) Instr. 3, 4,		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
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 95.09	01/06/2016	M	8,000	01/01/2016(6)	12/31/2020	Class A Common	80,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Geist John C C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC. ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE

Chief Sales Officer

Signatures

BOSTON, MA, X1 02210

Kathleen H. Wade under POA for the benefit of John C. Geist

01/07/2016

**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 transactions reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on November 9, 2015.
- The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 4,100 shares (2) is from \$190.00 to \$190.87. 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.

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- (3) The shares reported include 293 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 2,753 shares (4) is from \$191.00 to \$191.94. 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.
- The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for the 1,147 shares (5) is from \$192.03 to \$193.00. 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.
- (6) The option vests in five installments; the first vested on January 1, 2016. The remaining installments will vest on January 1 in each of the years 2017-2020, provided that the Reporting Person remains employed by the Issuer on the applicable vesting dates.

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