QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and A	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC [DGX]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
_	QUEST DIAGNOSTICS 05/0 DRPORATED, 3 GIRALDA				VIOHIH/I JAV/ TEAF) =					Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP & Chief Financial Officer			
				d(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				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - No	n-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			Code (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)	rm: Beneficial ect (D) Ownership Indirect (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	05/03/2010			M		3,571	A	\$ 24.76	118,438	D			
Common Stock	05/03/2010			S		3,571	D	\$ 57.0516	114,878 <u>(1)</u>	D			
Common Stock									1,748	I	SDCP (2)		

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number omf 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
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.76	05/03/2010		M(4)	3,571	02/13/2006(3)	02/13/2013	Common Stock	3,571

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HAGEMANN ROBERT C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED 3 GIRALDA FARMS MADISON, NJ 07940

SVP & Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ William J. O'Shaughnessy, Jr., Attorney in Fact for Robert Hagemann

05/05/2010

**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 amount includes exempt purchases made under the Company's stock purchase plan since the date of the last filing on Form 4.
- These underlying shares were acquired on a periodic basis by the trustee of the Company's Supplemental Deferred Compensation Plan.

 The information was obtained from the plan administrator as of a recent date. The number of shares is based on the account balance of the Company stock fund under the plan (which includes some money market instruments), divided by the market price of the Company's stock as of that date.
- (3) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the first annual anniversary of the grant date.
- (4) This exercise and sale reported were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b-5-1 sales plan adopted by the reporting person on February 3, 2010.

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