

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC

Form 4

February 05, 2010

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HAGEMANN ROBERT

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS
INCORPORATED, 3 GIRALDA
FARMS**

(Street)

MADISON, NJ 07940

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
**QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC
[DGX]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/03/2010

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)
SVP & Chief Financial Officer

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)
Common Stock	02/03/2010		M	75,000 A	\$ 24.76 160,803	D	
Common Stock	02/03/2010		S	75,000 D	\$ 56.5437 86,086 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock					1,745	I	SDCP ⁽³⁾

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
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.76	02/03/2010		M		75,000		02/13/2006 ⁽⁴⁾	02/13/2013	Common Stock	75,000

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

02/05/2010

____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).

This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$56.32 to \$56.94. The price reported above reflects the weighted
(1) average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

(2) 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.
(3) 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.

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- (4) The options vested in three equal annual installments beginning on the first annual anniversary of the grant date (all options were fully vested by 2/13/2006).

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