QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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See Instruction

1(b).

Common

Stock

10/03/2011

(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and A	2. Issuer I turne und Tremer of Trueing					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
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MADISON					ate Origin	al	- -	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				Ownership Indirect Form: Benefit Direct (D) Owner	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(======================================		
Common Stock	10/03/2011			M(3)	1,650	A	\$ 35.5325	141,313	D		
Common Stock	10/03/2011			S(3)	1,650	D	\$ 49.211 (4)	139,663	D		
Common Stock	10/03/2011			M(3)	2,500	A	\$ 48.74	142,163	D		
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 $S^{(3)}$

2,500

D

(4)

49.2468 139,663 (5)

D

Common Stock

 $1,768 \frac{(6)}{}$ I

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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)			5. Number opportunities 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)	\$ 35.5325	10/03/2011		M(3)	1,650	<u>(1)</u>	02/27/2012	Common Stock	1,650
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 48.74	10/03/2011		M(3)	2,500	(2)	02/22/2012	Common Stock	2,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

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

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Relationships

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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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 options vested in three installments on April 17, 2003, February 27, 2004 and February 27, 2005.
- (2) The options vested in three annual installments on February 22, 2006, February 22, 2007 and February 22, 2008.
- (3) This exercise and sale reported were effected pursuant to Rule 10b-5-1 sales plan adopted by the reporting person on February 7, 2011.
 - This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$49.03 to \$49.30. The price reported above reflects the weighted
- (4) 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.
- (5) This amount also includes exempt purchases made under the Company's stock purchase plan.
 - 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.

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