

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

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)  
**02/27/2012**

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)

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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock <sup>(2)</sup>	02/27/2012		A		10,000	A	\$ 0
Common Stock					142,079 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	
					1,773 <sup>(4)</sup>	I	SDCP

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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 57.605	02/27/2012		A	62,000	(1) 02/27/2022	Common Stock	62,000

## 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

02/29/2012

\*\*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 options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the first annual anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) Represents an award of restricted share units granted on February 27, 2012.
- (3) The amount 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.

- (4) 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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