

BECTON DICKINSON & CO  
Form 5  
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# FORM 5

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
COHEN GARY M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY, 1 BECTON DRIVE

(Street)

FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BECTON DICKINSON & CO [BDX]

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
09/30/2008

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)  
Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(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 (A) or Price (D)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/14/2007	Â	G	1,604 D \$ 0	72,349 (2)	D	Â
Common Stock	12/27/2007	Â	G	720 D \$ 0	71,629	D	Â
Common Stock	12/27/2007	Â	G	720 A \$ 0	720	I	By children
Common Stock	04/23/2008	Â	G	240 D \$ 0	71,389	D	Â

Common Stock	04/28/2008	Â	G	60	D	\$ 0	71,329	D	Â
Common Stock	05/23/2008	Â	G	240	D	\$ 0	71,089	D	Â
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	15,655 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	SIP Trust

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. of D Se B O E Is Fi (I
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
COHEN GARY M C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY 1 BECTON DRIVE FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417	Â	Â	Â	Executive Vice President Â

## Signatures

Patricia Walesiewicz, by power of attorney for Gary M. Cohen  
 11/13/2008  
 \*\*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) Represents shares of common stock held under the Becton, Dickinson and Company Savings Incentive Plan (the "SIP"). The information presented for the SIP is as of October 31, 2008.

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(2) Includes units acquired through dividend reinvestment.

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