#### QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Requiring Statement **OUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC [DGX]** A Miller Joan Elizabeth (Month/Day/Year) 08/17/2007 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 1290 WALL STREET WEST (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting \_X\_\_ Officer Other Person LYNDHURST, NJÂ 07071 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Sr. VP, Pathology, Hospital Serv. Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) **Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned** 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 54,700 Common Stock 16,569 I 401(k)/SDCP (1) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(IIISII. 4)	,	(Instr. 4)	Price of Derivative	Derivative Security:	(Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/21/2002	02/21/2011	Common Stock	9,200	\$ 26.075	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/27/2003	02/27/2012	Common Stock	18,400	\$ 35.5325	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/13/2004	02/13/2013	Common Stock	18,400	\$ 24.76	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	10/14/2004	10/14/2013	Common Stock	5,800	\$ 30.3425	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/19/2005	02/19/2014	Common Stock	36,000	\$ 40.4275	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/22/2006(2)	02/22/2012	Common Stock	26,666	\$ 48.74	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	02/15/2007(3)	02/15/2013	Common Stock	33,334	\$ 52.235	D	Â
Stock option (right to buy)	02/12/2008(4)	02/12/2014	Common Stock	36,667	\$ 52.245	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	08/16/2008(5)	08/16/2014	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 53.19	D	Â

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Miller Joan Elizabeth	^	^	Â	^		
1290 WALL STREET WEST	Α	Α	Sr.VP,Pathology,Hospital	Α		
LYNDHURST, NJ 07071			Serv.			

### **Signatures**

Leo C. Farrenkopf, Jr. atty-in-fact for Joan Elizabeth
Miller

08/21/2007

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) These underlying shares were acquired on a periodic basis by the trustees of the Company's Profit Sharing (401(k)) and Supplemental Deferred Compensation Plans. The information was obtained from the plan administrators as of a recent date. The number of shares is based on the account balance of the Company's stock fund under the Plans (which include some money market instruments), divided by the market price of the Company's stock as of that date.
- (2) The stock option, which was granted on 2/22/2005, vests in three equal annual installments, beginning on the anniversary date of the grant.

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- (3) The stock option, which was granted on 2/15/2006, vests in thee equal annual installments, beginning on the anniversary date of the grant.
- (4) The stock option, which was granted on 2/12/2007, vests in three equal annual installments, beginning on the anniversary date of the grant.
- (5) The stock option, which was granted on 8/16/2007, vests in three equal annual installments, beginning on the anniversary date of the grant.

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