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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ZIEGLER JOHN B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC [DGX]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/08/2011

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner _ Other (specify

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

> 4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street) Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

MADISON, NJ 07940

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (4 and 5 (A) or	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	02/08/2011		Code V M	Amount 304	(D)	Price \$ 35.6925	17,008	D	
Common Stock	02/08/2011		M	20,000	A	\$ 47.465	37,008	D	
Common Stock	02/08/2011		M	262	A	\$ 41.345	37,270	D	
Common Stock	02/08/2011		M	350	A	\$ 31.055	37,620	D	
	02/08/2011		M	264	A	\$ 41.205	37,884	D	

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Common Stock

Common Stock S 21,180 D \$ 58.5659 16,704 D

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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. 5. Number of TransactiorDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)	\$ 35.6925	02/08/2011		M		304	01/01/2002	01/01/2012	Common Stock	304
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 47.465	02/08/2011		M		20,000	<u>(1)</u>	05/07/2012	Common Stock	20,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 41.345	02/08/2011		M		262	04/01/2002	04/01/2012	Common Stock	262
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.055	02/08/2011		M		350	10/01/2002	10/01/2012	Common Stock	350
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 41.205	02/08/2011		M		264	07/01/2002	07/01/2012	Common Stock	264

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ZIEGLER JOHN B C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED 3 GIRALDA FARMS MADISON, NJ 07940



Signatures

/s/William J. O'Shaughnessy, Jr., Attorney in Fact for John B. Ziegler

02/09/2011

**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 vested in three equal annual installments with the first on May 7, 2003, the second on May 7, 2004 and the final on May 7, 2005.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$58.51 to \$58.70. The price reported above reflects the weighted 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.

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