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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Geist John C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

C/O THE BOSTON BEER

(First)

COMPANY, INC., ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE

(Month/Day/Year) 01/21/2009

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

VP of Sales

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original 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

BOSTON, MA, X1 02210

(State) (Zip) (City) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned (I) Following (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

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 Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amount of 8. Pr Underlying Securities

7. Nature of

Ownership (Instr. 4)

Indirect

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Purchase	\$ 17.04	01/21/2009		M		1,026	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common	1,026	\$ 1

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Geist John C C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC. ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE BOSTON, MA, X1 02210

VP of Sales

Signatures

Kathleen H. Wade under POA for the benefit of John C. Geist

02/02/2009

**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) Restricted Stock Purchase pursuant to the Investment Share Program under the Issuer's Employee Equity Incentive Plan, shares vest 20% over 5 years from date of purchase.

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