QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading HAGEMANN ROBERT Issuer Symbol QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC (Check all applicable) [DGX] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (First) (Middle) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS 03/09/2010 SVP & Chief Financial Officer INCORPORATED, 3 GIRALDA **FARMS** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting MADISON, NJ 07940 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transactionr Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect (Instr. 4) Following Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V (D) Price Amount Common 25,161 03/09/2010 \$0 D Α Α 126,530 (1) Stock Common 11,663 F D 03/09/2010 $114,867 \frac{(3)}{}$ D (2) 55.765 Stock Common SDCP (4) 1,745 Ι Stock

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)

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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

03/11/2010

**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) Stock issued by Quest Diagnostics Incorporated in settlement of a performance share award dated February 12, 2007, approved in accordance with the requirements of Rule 16b-3(d).
- (2) Disposition of common stock to the issuer solely to cover the tax withholding obligations arising from the settlement of said performance share award.
- (3) The amount includes exempt purchases made under the Company's stock purchase plan since the date of the last filing on Form 4.

These underlying shares were acquired on a periodic basis by the trustee of the Company's Supplemental Deferred Compensation Plan.

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's took fund under the plan (which includes some money market instruments), divided by the market price of the Company's

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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