#### **BECTON DICKINSON & CO**

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### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20540

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(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 LUDWIG EDWARD J Issuer Symbol **BECTON DICKINSON & CO** (Check all applicable) [BDX] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction \_X\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND 03/01/2005 Chairman, President and CEO COMPANY, 1 BECTON DRIVE (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 FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417 Person

(City)	(State) (	Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	iired, 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)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquiron(A) or Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A)  or  Amount (D) F		of (D)	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	03/01/2005		M	20,000	A	\$ 24.81	120,143	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2005		S <u>(1)</u>	19,000	D	\$ 60	101,143	D	
Common Stock							24,628 (2)	I	SIP Trust

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 TransactionDerivative 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 Underlying Securition (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.81	03/01/2005		M	20,000	01/27/1997(3)	01/27/2007	Common Stock	20,0

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting owner rune, runeress	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
LUDWIG EDWARD J C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY 1 BECTON DRIVE FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417	X		Chairman, President and CEO			
Signatures						

Patricia Walesiewicz, by power of attorney for Edward J. 03/03/2005 Ludwig \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## **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).
- The sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan (the "Plan") adopted by the reporting person on **(1)** February 9, 2005. Details of the Plan were furnished in a Current Report on Form 8-K filed February 9, 2005.
- Represents shares of common stock held under the Becton, Dickinson and Company Savings Incentive Plan (the "SIP"). The information **(2)** presented for the SIP is as of February 28, 2005.
- (3) The option became 50% exercisable on January 27, 1999 and fully exercisable on January 27, 2000.

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