COHEN GARY M

Form 4

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

COHEN GARY M

BECTON DICKINSON & CO

(Check all applicable)

[BDX]

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND

(Street)

(First)

(Month/Day/Year) 11/26/2008

Symbol

below) **Executive Vice President**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

COMPANY, 1 BECTON DRIVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417

(City)	(State) (Z	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. SecurionAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) o l of (E 4 and))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	11/24/2008		M	2,686 (1)	A	\$ 0	74,495	D			
Common Stock	11/24/2008		A	8,050 (2)	A	\$0	82,545	D			
Common Stock	11/24/2008		F	4,939	D	\$0	77,606	D			
Common Stock	11/25/2008		A	3,762 (3)	A	\$0	81,368 (4)	D			
Common Stock							15,655 <u>(5)</u>	I	SIP Trust		

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and L Underlying S (Instr. 3 and
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Rights to Common Stock	\$ 0 (6)	11/24/2008		M		2,686	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 62.5	11/25/2008		A	23,922		11/25/2009(8)	11/25/2018	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

COHEN GARY M C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY 1 BECTON DRIVE FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Patricia Walesiewicz, by power of attorney for Gary M.

Cohen 11/26/2008

**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) Represents shares distributed under the November 24, 2003 grant of performance units.
- (2) Represents shares distributed upon the vesting of performance units granted on November 21, 2005.
- (3) Represents restricted stock units awarded under the Becton, Dickinson and Company 2004 Employee and Director Equity-Based Compensation Plan.

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- (4) Includes units acquired through dividend reinvestment since the last report filed by the reporting person.
- (5) Represents shares of common stock held under the Becton, Dickinson and Company Savings Incentive Plan (the "SIP"). The information presented for the SIP is as of October 31, 2008.
- (6) The securities convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (7) Represents last installment of shares distributable under performance units that vested on November 24, 2006.
- (8) The stock appreciation rights vest in four annual installments beginning November 25, 2009.

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