

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS
INCORPORATED, 1290 WALL
STREET WEST**

(Street)

LYNDHURST, NJ 07071

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC
[DGX]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/09/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	05/09/2007		M		436 A \$ 9.58	10,047 ⁽¹⁾	D
Common Stock	05/09/2007		M		732 A \$ 17.82	10,779 ⁽¹⁾	D
Common Stock	05/09/2007		M		484 A \$ 22.38	11,263 ⁽¹⁾	D
Common Stock	05/09/2007		M		440 A \$ 29.72	11,703 ⁽¹⁾	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. P... Der... Sec... (Ins...	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 9.58	05/09/2007		M	436	04/01/2001 04/01/2010	Common Stock	436	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 17.82	05/09/2007		M	732	06/30/2001 06/30/2010	Common Stock	732	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 22.38	05/09/2007		M	484	03/30/2002 03/30/2011	Common Stock	484	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 29.72	05/09/2007		M	440	10/01/2000 10/01/2010	Common Stock	440	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ZIEGLER JOHN B C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED 1290 WALL STREET WEST	X			

LYNDHURST, NJ 07071

Signatures

Leo C. Farrenkopf, Jr., atty-in-fact for John B.
Ziegler

05/10/2007

__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) Certain of these shares are subject to restrictions on transfer and/or certain other terms contained in the underlying stock agreements and related plan document.

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