

URICH WILLIAM F  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
URICH WILLIAM F

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC., ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850

(Street)

BOSTON, MA 02210

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/01/2011

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)  
Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Class A Common	01/01/2011		M	A	139	\$ 25.186	1,069 D
Class A Common	01/01/2011		M	A	155	\$ 22.59	1,224 D
Class A Common	01/01/2011		M	A	205	\$ 17.04	1,429 D
Class A Common	01/01/2011		M	A	125	\$ 27.96	1,554 D

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 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)			
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
Restricted Stock Purchase	\$ 25.186	01/01/2011		M			139	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common	694
Restricted Stock Purchase	\$ 22.59	01/01/2011		M			155	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common	774
Restricted Stock Purchase	\$ 17.04	01/01/2011		M			205	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common	1,026
Restricted Stock Purchase	\$ 27.96	01/01/2011		M			125	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common	625
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 95.09	01/01/2011		A			65,000	<u>(2)</u>	12/31/2020	Class A Common	65,000

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

URICH WILLIAM F  
C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC.  
ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850  
BOSTON, MA 02210

Chief Financial Officer

## Signatures

William F.  
Urich

01/04/2011

\_\_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.
  - (2) So long as the Reporting Person is employed by the Company on the applicable vesting date, all of the shares shall vest on January 1, 2016.

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