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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Mierzwicki Leo A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BEAM INC [NYSE: BEAM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner

BEAM INC., 510 LAKE COOK

ROAD

(Month/Day/Year)

02/21/2012

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Check all applicable)

VP & Global Controller

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

(Instr. 4)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

DEERFIELD, IL 60015

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

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(Instr. 4)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8 **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	3)	Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)	d of				
				Code '	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 55.43	02/21/2012		A <u>(1)</u>		4,348		<u>(2)</u>	02/21/2022	Common Stock	4,348
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(3)</u>	02/21/2012		A(4)		1,191		<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	1,191

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Mierzwicki Leo A BEAM INC. 510 LAKE COOK ROAD DEERFIELD, IL 60015

VP & Global Controller

Signatures

Leslie W. Jensen, as Attorney-in-Fact for Leo A. Mierzwicki

02/23/2012

**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) Reflects the grant of options under the Issuer's 2011 Long-Term Incentive Plan.
- (2) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 21, 2013.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.
- (4) Reflects the grant of restricted stock unit awards payable in shares of the Company's common stock under the Issuer's 2011 Long-Term Incentive Plan.
- Full payment of the award will be made in the form of shares of the Company's common stock as of February 21, 2015 if the Reporting (5) Person remains employed with the Company through such date, subject to special provisions in the event of death, disability or termination following a change in control.

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