

KOCH C JAMES
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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 *
KOCH C JAMES

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, 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)
11/28/2017

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)
Chairman

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 or Disposed of (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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--------|-------|---|--|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Amount | Price | | | |
| Class A Common | 11/28/2017 | | G ⁽¹⁾ | V | 21,000 | D | \$ 0 83,372 | D | |
| Class A Common | 11/28/2017 | | G ⁽¹⁾ | V | 10,000 | D | \$ 0 73,372 | D | |
| Class A Common | 11/28/2017 | | G ⁽¹⁾ | V | 21,000 | A | \$ 0 23,000 | I | By Foundation managed by Reporting Person |
| Class A | | | | | | | 44,248 | I | By LLC |

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|----------------|--------|---|--|--|--|---|
| Common | | | | | | managed by spouse |
| Class A Common | 23,486 | I | | | | Custodian for children under UGTMA |
| Class A Common | 5,000 | I | | | | By Trust as Trustee |
| Class A Common | 3,656 | I | | | | By spouse as custodian for children under UGTMA |
| Class A Common | 2,532 | I | | | | By spouse in trust for children |

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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| KOCH C JAMES C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY | | | Chairman | |

ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850
BOSTON, MA 02210

Signatures

Michael G. Andrews under POA for the benefit of Koch C.
James

11/30/2017

__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).

This transaction is a Form 5 transaction being voluntarily reported early. On the Transaction Date, the Reporting Person gifted 21,000 (1) shares from his direct ownership into a foundation he controls. Also on the Transaction Date, the Reporting Person gifted 10,000 shares from his direct ownership to a charitable foundation for which he exercises no control or ownership.

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