#### QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC

Form 4

February 10, 2011

# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MOHAPATRA SURYA N			Symbol	T DIAGI	nd Ticker or		Is	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
~	(Mon DEST DIAGNOSTICS 02/0 PORATED, 3 GIRALDA			Day/Year)	Transaction			_X Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) Chairman, President & CEO			
MADISON	(Street) N, NJ 07940		4. If Amendment, Date Original  Filed(Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group F  Applicable Line)  _X_ Form filed by One Reporting  Form filed by More than One Person				ne Reporting Pe	erson			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tal	ole I - Non	-Derivative	Secur	ities Acquir	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (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)	
Common Stock	02/09/2011			M	152,000	A	\$ 35.5325	449,046	D		
Common Stock	02/09/2011			S	152,000	D	\$ 57.5337 (2)	297,046	D		
Common								5 165 (3)	ī	401(k)/sdon	

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

401(k)/sdcp

5,165 (3)

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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)	Secur Acqu Dispo		6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.5325	02/09/2011		M		152,000	<u>(1)</u>	02/27/2012	Common Stock	152,000

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

MOHAPATRA SURYA N C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED 3 GIRALDA FARMS MADISON, NJ 07940

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Chairman, President & CEO

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#### **Signatures**

/s/ William J. O'Shaughnessy, Jr., Attorney in Fact for Surya N. Mohapatra

02/10/2011

\*\*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).
- The options vested in three installments beginning with the first on April 17, 2003, the second on February 27, 2004 and the final on February 27, 2005.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$57.36 to \$57.82. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- These underlying shares were acquired on a periodic basis by the trustee of the Company's tax qualified Profit Sharing (401(k)) and/or Supplemental Deferred Compensation Plan. The information was obtained from the plan administrator as of a current date. The number of shares is based on the account balance of the Company stock fund under each Plan (which includes some money market instruments) divided by the market price of the Company stock as of that date.

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