QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **HAGEMANN ROBERT** Issuer Symbol QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC [DGX] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director

(Month/Day/Year)

08/29/2011

(Check all applicable)

SVP & Chief Financial Officer

C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED, 3 GIRALDA **FARMS**

(Street)

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

MADISON, NJ 07940

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if Transactionor Disposed of (D) any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)				(D)	5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	08/29/2011		M(1)	2,500	A	\$ 48.74	142,163	D		
Common Stock	08/29/2011		M(1)	1,650	A	\$ 35.5325	143,813	D		
Common Stock	08/29/2011		S <u>(1)</u>	4,150	D	\$ 49	139,663 (4)	D		
Common Stock							1,766 (5)	I	SDCP	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number stiom Derivative Securities (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 48.74	08/29/2011		M <u>(1)</u>	2,5	500	(2)	02/22/2012	Common Stock	2,500
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.5325	08/29/2011		M(1)	1,0	650	(3)	02/27/2012	Common Stock	1,650

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HAGEMANN ROBERT C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED 3 GIRALDA FARMS MADISON, NJ 07940

SVP & Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ William J. O'Shaughnessy, Jr., Attorney in Fact for Robert
Hagemann

08/31/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) This exercise and sale reported were effected pursuant to Rule 10b-5-1 sales plan adopted by the reporting person on February 7, 2011.
- (2) The options vested in three annual installments on February 22, 2006, February 22, 2007 and February 22, 2008.
- (3) The options vested in three installments on April 17, 2003, February 27, 2004 and February 27, 2005.
- (4) The amount includes exempt purchases made under the Company's stock purchase plan.
 - These underlying shares were acquired on a periodic basis by the trustee of the Company's Supplemental Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (5) The information was obtained from the plan administrator as of a recent date. The number of shares is based on the account balance of the Company stock fund under the plan (which includes some money market instruments), divided by the market price of the Company's stock as of that date.

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