MOHAPATRA SURYA N

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MOHAPATRA SURYA N

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC [DGX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

Stock

Stock

Common

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/14/2007

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) Chairman, President & CEO

C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED, 1290 WALL STREET WEST

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

LYNDHURST, NJ 07071

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(State)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

(D) or (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

Reported

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common

Code V Amount (D) Price

112,126 D

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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. Transactic 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 52.565	02/14/2007		A	3,334	02/14/2008(2)	02/14/2014	Common Stock	3,334

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MOHAPATRA SURYA N C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED 1290 WALL STREET WEST LYNDHURST NI 07071	X		Chairman, President & CEO			

Signatures

Leo C. Farrenkopf, Jr., atty.in-fact for Surya N. Mohapatra

Date

02/16/2007

Explanation of Responses:

**Signature of Reporting Person

- * 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).
- 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 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.
- (2) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the anniversary date of the grant.

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