QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ZIEGLER JOHN B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC

(Month/Day/Year)

05/08/2007

(Check all applicable)

[DGX]

(Last)

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

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED, 1290 WALL STREET WEST

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

LYNDHURST, NJ 07071

(City) (State) (Zip)

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) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) (D)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Common Stock

05/08/2007

Code V Amount Α 1,667

9,611 (1) \$0

D

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)

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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 orDerivative 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)	\$ 49.04	05/08/2007		A	10,000	(2)	05/08/2014	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Relationships				
Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
X				
		Director 10% Owner	Director 10% Officer Owner	

Signatures

Leo C. Farrenkopf, Jr., atty-in-fact for John B.

Ziegler

05/10/2007

**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).
- (2) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the anniversary date of the grant.
- (1) Certain of these shares are subject to restrictions on transfer and/or certain other terms contained in the underlying stock agreements and related plan document.

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