QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC

[DGX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/09/2007

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner _ Other (specify

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C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED, 1290 WALL

(Street)

(First)

(Middle)

STREET WEST

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

_X__ Director

Officer (give title

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

Person

LYNDHURST, NJ 07071

(City)	(State) (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 any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/09/2007		M	436	A	\$ 9.58	10,047 (1)	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2007		M	732	A	\$ 17.82	10,779 (1)	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2007		M	484	A	\$ 22.38	11,263 <u>(1)</u>	D	
Common Stock	05/09/2007		M	440	A	\$ 29.72	11,703 (1)	D	

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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)	Deri Sect Acq (A) Disp of (l	ivative urities uired or posed D) tr. 3, 4,	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)	\$ 9.58	05/09/2007		M		436	04/01/2001	04/01/2010	Common Stock	436
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 17.82	05/09/2007		M		732	06/30/2001	06/30/2010	Common Stock	732
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 22.38	05/09/2007		M		484	03/30/2002	03/30/2011	Common Stock	484
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 29.72	05/09/2007		M		440	10/01/2000	10/01/2010	Common Stock	440

Reporting Owners

	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ZIEGLER JOHN B	X					
C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED 1290 WALL STREET WEST						

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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).
- (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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