

ROPER MARTIN F

Form 4

May 18, 2011

**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. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
ROPER MARTIN F

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O THE BOSTON BEER  
COMPANY, INC., ONE DESIGN  
CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850

(Street)

BOSTON, MA 02210

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/17/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify  
below) below)  
President and C.E.O.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V                                                                 | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price                                                                                         |                                                          |                                                       |
| Class A Common                  | 05/17/2011                           |                                                    | M                              |                                                                   | 1,000  | A          | \$ 21.14                                                                                      | 2,030                                                    | D                                                     |
| Class A Common                  | 05/17/2011                           |                                                    | M                              |                                                                   | 1,000  | A          | \$ 22.425                                                                                     | 3,030                                                    | D                                                     |
| Class A Common                  | 05/17/2011                           |                                                    | S                              |                                                                   | 1,000  | D          | \$ 81.3<br>(1) (3)                                                                            | 2,030                                                    | D                                                     |
| Class A Common                  | 05/17/2011                           |                                                    | S                              |                                                                   | 1,000  | D          | \$ 82.44<br>(2) (3)                                                                           | 1,030                                                    | 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)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                    |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V (A) (D)                                                                                                       | Date<br>Exercisable<br>Expiration<br>Date                      | Title<br>Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares                           |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>buy)                | \$ 21.14                                                           | 05/17/2011                              |                                                             | M                                    | 1,000                                                                                                           | 01/01/2010 01/01/2015                                          | Class A<br>Common 3,000                                             |
| Class A<br>Common                                   | \$ 22.425                                                          | 05/17/2011                              |                                                             | M                                    | 1,000                                                                                                           | 06/28/2005 06/28/2015                                          | Class A<br>Common 180,000                                           |

## Reporting Owners

### Relationships

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ROPER MARTIN F  
C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC.  
ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850  
BOSTON, MA 02210

X

President and C.E.O.

## Signatures

Kathleen H. Wade under POA for the benefit of Martin F.  
Roper

05/18/2011

\_\_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).

(1) The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for 1,000 shares is from \$81.00 to \$81.70.

(2) The price shown is the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The range of sale prices for 1,000 shares is from \$82.04 to \$82.88.

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- (3) The filer will provide, upon request from the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Registrant or a shareholder of the Registrant, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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