

Hine C Clarkson
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Hine C Clarkson

(Last) (First) (Middle)

BEAM INC., 510 LAKE COOK ROAD

(Street)

DEERFIELD, IL 60015

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 BEAM INC [NYSE: BEAM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/09/2012

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)
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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | Price | |
| Common Stock, par value \$3.125 | 02/09/2012 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 5,264 | A \$ 0 | 18,399 D |
| Common Stock, par value \$3.125 | 02/09/2012 | | F ⁽²⁾ | | 2,292 | D \$ 54.225 | 16,107 ⁽³⁾ 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 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. Transaction 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Unit (Performance Award) | (4) | 02/09/2012 | | M(1) | 5,264 | (5) (5) | Common Stock | 5,264 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Hine C Clarkson BEAM INC. 510 LAKE COOK ROAD DEERFIELD, IL 60015 | | | SVP Corp Comm & Public Affairs | |

Signatures

Leslie W. Jensen, Attorney-in-Fact for C. Clarkson
Hine
Date: 02/13/2012

**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) Reflects the approval of the issuance of shares pursuant to a performance award to the undersigned under the issuer's Long-Term Incentive Plans in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(d).
- (2) Reflects the withholding by the issuer of shares awarded to the undersigned having a fair market value equal to the withholding taxes payable by the undersigned at the time the award vested, such transaction being exempt under Rule 16b-3(e).
- (3) The Reporting Person also holds 2,051 shares of common stock indirectly through the Beam Inc. Retirement Savings Plan Trust.
- (4) Each Performance Award converts to one share of the issuer's common stock.

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(5) This Performance Award became vested and payable on February 9, 2012.

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