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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Grinnell David L. <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O THE BOSTON BEER COMPANY, INC., ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE, SUITE 850 <hr/> (Street) BOSTON, MA X1 02210 <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2008	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BOSTON BEER CO INC [SAM]	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Vice President of Brewing	5. If Amendment, Date of 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 Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Class A Common Stock	150	D	

**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares ^M			
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	(1)	Class A Common	2,500	\$ 35.98	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	(2)	Class A Common	4,500	\$ 24.95	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	(3)	Class A Common	5,200	\$ 21.14	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	(4)	Class A Common	5,400	\$ 18.465	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	01/01/2008	01/01/2013	Class A Common	2,400	\$ 14.47	D	
Restricted Stock Award	(5)	(5)	Class A Common	963	\$ 0	D	
Restricted Stock Award	(6)	(6)	Class A Common	889	\$ 0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Reporting Person's right to exercise this option is contingent upon the Company's 2007 performance against a benchmark, which performance will be determined by the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors on or before March 1, 2008. If the Company does not meet the benchmark the Option shall lapse as to 50% or all of the shares, based on the Board's determination. If the benchmark is met or exceeded, the option may become exercisable as to a maximum of 500 shares on March 1, 2008 and subsequently a maximum of 500 shares on each of 1/1/09, 1/1/10, 1/1/11 and 1/1/12, so long as the Reporting Person continues to be employed by the Company on the applicable vesting date.
- Of this option, 1,800 shares have vested. 900 shares will vest on 1/1/09, 900 shares will vest on 1/1/10 and 900 shares will vest on 1/1/11, so long as the Reporting Person continues to be employed by the Company on the applicable vesting date.
- Of this option, 2,000 shares are vested. 1,600 shares will vest on 1/1/09 and 1,600 shares will vest on 1/1/10, so long as the Reporting Person continues to be employed by the Company on the applicable reporting date.
- Of this option, 3,600 shares are vested. The remaining 1,800 shares will vest on 1/1/09, so long as the Reporting Person continues to be employed by the Company on the applicable vesting date.
- 321 shares will vest on each of 1/1/09, 1/1/10 and 1/1/11, so long as the Reporting Person continues to be employed by the Company on the applicable vesting date.
- 222 shares will vest on each of 1/1/09, 1/1/10 and 1/1/11 and 1/1/12 shares will vest on 1/1/12, so long as the Reporting Person continues to be employed by the Company on the applicable vesting date.

David L. Grinnell 01/03/2008
 ** Signature of Reporting Date
 Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

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