BUEHLER WILLIAM F

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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BUEHLER WILLIAM F		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
		QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC [DGX]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (NOTE MALCOLM AVENUE	(Iiddle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/02/2005	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
TETERBORO, NJ 07608			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	${\bf (Zip)} \qquad \qquad {\bf Table~I-Non-Derivative~Securities~Acquired, Disposed~of, or~Beneficially~Owned}$							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit onDisposed (Instr. 3, 4	of (D)		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)
Common Stock	05/02/2005		M	18,000	A	\$ 30.06	23,147	D	
Common Stock	05/02/2005		S	18,000	D	\$ 106.6559	5,147	D	

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

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	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)	\$ 30.06	05/02/2005		M	18,00	0 05/09/2000	05/09/2010	Common Stock	18,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BUEHLER WILLIAM F ONE MALCOLM AVENUE	X						
TETERBORO, NJ 07608	Λ						

Signatures

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**Signature of Person

Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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