QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading RUSCKOWSKI STEPHEN H Issuer Symbol QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC (Check all applicable) [DGX] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS 02/25/2016 President and CEO INCORPORATED, 3 GIRALDA **FARMS** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting MADISON, NJ 07940 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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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)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock (1)	02/25/2016		A	22,553	A	\$ 0	142,610	D	
Common Stock	02/25/2016		F	1,832 (2)	D	\$ 66.44	140,778 (3)	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)	or Exercise any		Execution Date, if	4. 5. Number of TransactiorDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Nun Shar
Non-Qualifed Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 66.51	02/25/2016		A	291,997	<u>(4)</u>	02/25/2026	Common Stock	291

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting owner runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
RUSCKOWSKI STEPHEN H C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED 3 GIRALDA FARMS MADISON, NJ 07940	X		President and CEO			

Signatures

/s/ William J. O'Shaughnessy, Jr., Attorney in Fact for Stephen H. Rusckowski

02/29/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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) Represents an award of restricted share units.
- (2) Disposition of common stock to the issuer solely to cover tax withholding obligations arising from the vesting of a previous grant of restricted share units.
- (3) The amount includes exempt purchases made under the Company's stock purchase plan.
- (4) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the first annual anniversary of the grant date.

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