#### BONGIORNO THOMAS F

Form 4

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## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** BONGIORNO THOMAS F             |  |  | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol          | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer   |  |  |
|---|--|--|---|--|--|--|
|   |  |  | QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC [DGX]                                 | (Check all applicable)   |  |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)  ONE MALCOLM AVENUE (Street)  TETERBORO, NJ 07608 |  |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2005 | Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specification) below)                                |  |  |
|   |  |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original                              | VP&Corporate Controller  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 Person |  |  |

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|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 3.<br>Transactio | 4. Securit<br>onAcquired<br>Disposed | (A) or       | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially                                 | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial |
| (ilisu. 3)                           |                                      | (Month/Day/Year)                  | (Instr. 8)       | (Instr. 3, 4                         | ` ′          | Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)          | Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)          |
| Common<br>Stock                      |                                      |                                   |                  |                                      | (2)          | 395 <u>(1)</u>   | D                                |                                  |
| Common<br>Stock                      |                                      |                                   |                  |                                      |              | 117 (2)  | I                                | 401K                             |

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.<br>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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |        | Derivative Expiration Date curities (Month/Day/Year) quired or posed of str. 3, 4, |                    | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |  |
|---|---|---|---|---|--------|--|--------------------|---|--|
|   |   |   |   | Code V  | (A) (I | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)                        | \$ 97.48  | 02/22/2005                              |   | A   | 6,667  | 02/22/2006   | 02/22/2015         | Common<br>Stock   | 6,667                                  |

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# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
|                                |               |

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BONGIORNO THOMAS F ONE MALCOLM AVENUE TETERBORO, NJ 07608

**VP&Corporate Controller** 

## **Signatures**

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\*\*Signature of Person

\*\*Bignature of Person

# **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).
- Certain of these shares are subject to restrictions on transfer, the possibility of forfeiture and/or certain other terms contained in the (1) underlying stock agreements and related plan documents. This amount also includes exempt purchases made under the Company's stock purchase plan since the date of the last filing on Form 4.
- These underlying shares were acquired on a periodic basis by the trustee of the Company's tax qualified Profit Sharing (401(k)) plan. The information was obtained from the plan adminstrator as of a recent date. The number of shares is based on the account balance of the Company stock fund under the plan (which includes some money market instruments) divided by the market price of the Company's stock as of that date.
- (3) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the anniversary of this grant.

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