

BOSTON BEER CO INC  
Form 8-K  
March 05, 2012

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, DC 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 29, 2012

The Boston Beer Company, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

001-14092  
(Commission  
File Number)

04-3284048  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

One Design Center Place, Boston, MA  
(Address of principal executive offices)

02210  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (617) 368-5000

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2 below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01.**

**Other Events.**

On February 29, 2012, Martin F. Roper, President and Chief Executive Officer and a member of the Board of Directors of the Company, and William F. Urich, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer, entered into individual sales plans pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, for trading in shares of the Registrant's Class A common stock (each, a Plan). On March 1, 2012, Jean-Michel Valette, a member of the Board of Directors of the Company, also entered into a Plan. The aggregate number of shares which may be sold pursuant to the three Plans is 113,000 shares. The purpose of each of the Plans is to provide liquidity and investment diversification.

Once executed, transactions under the Plans will be disclosed publicly through Form 144 and Form 4 filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

The Boston Beer Company, Inc.  
(Registrant)

/s/ Martin F. Roper  
Martin F. Roper  
Chief Executive Officer  
(Signature)\*

Date: March 5, 2012

\*Print name and title of the signing officer under his signature.