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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Ferson			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BIOGEN IDEC INC. [BIIB]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
ALEXANDER SUSAN H				x	Director Officer (give title	10% Owner Other (specify		
(Last) BIOGEN IDEC		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/22/2008		below) EVP, General Co	below) unsel		
14 CAMBRIDG	E CENTER		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		idual or Joint/Group Filing ((Check Applicable		
(Street) CAMBRIDGE	MA	02142		Line) X	Form filed by One Repor Form filed by More than (Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Disposed Of 5)			Securities Beneficially	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(113(114)
Common Stock	07/22/2008		S ⁽¹⁾		2,000	D	\$70	21,706	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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. Transa Code (8)		of Expiratio		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	Amount of Securities		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Sale pursuant to a trading plan intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Remarks:

Marcia J. Gookin, Attorney in Fact for Susan H. Alexander

07/24/2008

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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