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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BIOGEN IDEC INC. | BIIB | Gagnon Robert E. Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) (Last) (First) (Middle) Chief Acct Officer VP & Contr 02/23/2011 BIOGEN IDEC INC. 133 BOSTON POST ROAD 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable (Street) X Form filed by One Reporting Person 02493 WESTON MA Form filed by More than One Reporting (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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/23/2011		M		815	A	\$0	11,352	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2011		M		191	A	\$0	11,543	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2011		F		259	D	\$66.76	11,284	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2011		F		61	D	\$66.76	11,223	D	
Common Stock	02/24/2011		M ⁽¹⁾		1,054	A	\$49.65	12,277	D	
Common Stock	02/24/2011		S ⁽¹⁾		1,054	D	\$66.9886(2)(3)	11,223	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 Deri Sec Acq (A) (Disp of (I	osed D) tr. 3, 4	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		ate Amount of		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)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0 ⁽⁴⁾	02/23/2011		M			815	(5)	02/23/2014	Common Stock	815	\$0	4,077	D	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0 ⁽⁴⁾	02/23/2011		M			191	(5)	02/23/2014	Common Stock	191	\$0	3,886	D	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0 ⁽⁴⁾	02/23/2011		J			217	(5)	02/23/2014	Common Stock	0	\$0	3,669	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$49.65	02/24/2011		M ⁽¹⁾			1,054	(6)	02/24/2019	Common Stock	1,054	\$0	2,108	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Exercise/sale pursuant to a trading plan intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- 2. This represents the weighted average price for shares sold at a range between \$66.81 (low) and \$67.23 (high).
- 3. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be provided upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer.
- 4. There is no conversion or exercise price for this stock unit.
- 5. The number of RSUs reported represents the maximum possible number of shares that are eligible for vesting, which is 150% of the number of shares at target payout. One-fourth of these RSUs are eligible to vest on each of the first four anniversaries of the grant date. The actual number of shares that will vest on each vesting date will be determined by comparing the price of Biogen Idec common stock on such vesting date to the price on the grant date (i.e., number of vested shares = number of shares at target payout times [the average 60 calendar-day closing stock price ending on the vesting date divided by the average 60 calendar-day closing stock price on the grant date]).
- $6. \ The stock options become exercisable in four (4) equal annual installments commencing one year after the grant date of 02/24/09.$

<u>Aras Lapinskas, Attorney in</u> <u>Fact for Robert E. Gagnon</u>

02/25/2011

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

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