FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  YOUNG WILLIAM						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol BIOGEN IDEC INC. [BIIB]									ck all applic	cable)	g Pers	on(s) to Iss	
	(F N IDEC INC		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/29/2011									Officer (give title below)			Other (s below)	specify			
133 BOSTON POST ROAD  (Street)							4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person				
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(City) (State) (Zip)																			
		Tab	le I -	Non-Der	ivativ	e Sec	curit	ties A	cquir	ed, C	Disposed	of, or l	Bene	eficially	Owned	l			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)				2. Transacti Date (Month/Day			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Di Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Disposed	Securiti Benefic Owned	es ially Following	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Transac	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)			
Common Stock 08/29/2011									<b>M</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		10,000	A	\$68.15		36	36,859		D	
Common Stock 08/29/2011						-			<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		10,000	D	\$92.5784(2)(3)		3) 26	26,859		D	
		7	Table								sposed of s, convert				Owned				
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)	ution Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)			vative urities uired or oosed O) (Instr.	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			of Sec Under Deriva	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ownersi Form: Direct (C or Indire (I) (Instr.	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	rcisable	Expiration Date	Title	0 N 0	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (Right to	\$68.15	08/29/2011			M <sup>(1)</sup>			10,000	01/0	02/2003	01/01/2012	Comm		10,000	\$0	0		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. 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.
- 3. This represents the weighted average price for shares sold at a range between \$92.2204 (low) and \$93.00 (high).

Aras Lapinskas, Attorney in Fact for William D. Young

08/31/2011

\*\* 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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