FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* ALEXANDER SUSAN H					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BIOGEN IDEC INC. [BIIB]										all app Direct Office	olicable) ctor er (give title	ng Person(s) to Issue 10% Own Other (spe			
(Last) (First) (Middle) BIOGEN IDEC INC. 14 CAMBRIDGE CENTER				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2008									24	belov	v) EVP, Gene		ow)			
(Street))2142		4. If	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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(St		Zip)		<u> </u>															
		Tabl	e I - Nor	1-Deriv	ative	Sec	curitie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, o	r Bene	eficia	ally	Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acqui Disposed Of (D) (In 5)						Securities Beneficially		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Inc ct Bene Own	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
								Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	•	Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)		(iiisti	1. 4)	
Common Stock 08			08/01	08/01/2008				A		6,000 A		A	\$0.	27,706		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)	perivative Conversion Date Execution or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		Date, Transaction			on of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)					9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	nip of In Bene O) Own ct (Inst	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Robert A. Licht, Attorney in Fact for Susan H. Alexander

08/05/2008

** 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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