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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations may continue. See
Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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I I. Maile and Address of Reporting Feison			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PROTEIN DESIGN LABS INC/DE [PDLI]		tionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer all applicable) Director 10% Owner		
(Last)) (First) (Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/23/2004	- x	Officer (give title below) SVP, Pres. & Chi	Other (specify below)	
C/O PROTEIN DESIGN LABS, INC. 34801 CAMPUS DRIVE							
(Street) FREMONT	СА	94555	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Fili Form filed by One Re Form filed by More th	eporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	—		Person		

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, T		ction Instr.	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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)

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		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		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				
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$15.3	07/23/2004		A		70,000		(1)	07/23/2014	Common Stock	70,000	\$0 ⁽²⁾	70,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Options vest 1/48 per month over 48 months from January 1, 2004. Only vested options are exercisable.

2. Column 8 is not a required reportable field. New SEC software requires a dollar amount; use zeros per SEC.

Remarks:

/s/ Steven E. Benner

07/26/2004

** Signature of Reporting Person

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).

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