Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  LINK MAX						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PROTEIN DESIGN LABS INC/DE [ PDLI ]									ationship o all applic Directo	able)	g Pers	son(s) to Issu 10% Ow	
	OTEIN DES	SIGN LABS, IN	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  07/23/2004  Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)												pecify	
34801 CAMPUS DRIVE				4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
(Street)														X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D				Execution Date,			Code (In:	Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				4 and Securitie Beneficia Owned F		s illy ollowing	Form (D) o	Form: Direct D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code	,	Amount	(A) or (D) Pri		•	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	tion(s)			(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	Date Exec (Month/Day/Year) if any	3A. Deeme Execution if if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		ı of l		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		D S	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$15.3	07/23/2004			A		25,000		(1)	07	7/23/2014	Common Stock	25,00	0	\$0 <sup>(2)</sup>	25,000	0	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Options vest 1/12 per month over one (1) year from the date of grant. 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/ Max Link

07/26/2004

\*\* 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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