

DESOUZA ERROL B  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
DESOUZA ERROL B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
IDEXX LABORATORIES INC /DE [IDXX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
215 COLLEGE ROAD  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/14/2009

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

PARAMUS, NJ 07652  
(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Deferred Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	02/14/2009	A	1,309			<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>			Common Stock	1,30
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.37	02/14/2009	A	4,527			<u>(2)</u>			02/13/2016	Common Stock	4,52

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DESOUZA ERROL B 215 COLLEGE ROAD PARAMUS, NJ 07652	X			

**Signatures**

John B. Rogers, Attorney-in-Fact for Errol B. De Souza,  
PhD 02/17/2009

\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

**Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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).
- (1) Deferred stock units vest 100% one year from the date of grant and are issuable only as common stock on a one-for-one basis one year following the Director's resignation from the Board of Directors.
- (2) Grant of option to buy shares of IDEXX Laboratories, Inc. Common Stock becomes exercisable on February 14, 2010.

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