BECTON DICKINSON & CO
Form 8-K
October 05, 2011

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549
FORM 8-K
CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO
SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) October 3, 2011
BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)
New Jersey

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-4802	**22-0760120**
(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
1 Becton Drive, Franklin Lakes, New Jersey	**07417-1880**
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)	(Zip Code)

(201) 847-6800

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)
N/A

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers, Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On October 3, 2011, Cathy E. Minehan, a member of the Board of Directors (the Board) of Becton, Dickinson and Company (BD), informed the BD Board that, due to other commitments, she will not stand for re-election at BD s 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Gary DeFazio
Gary DeFazio
Vice President and Corporate Secretary

Date: October 5, 2011