FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BENJAMIN WILLIAM R					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PROTEIN DESIGN LABS INC/DE [PDLI]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last)	(F	irst)	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2003)	below)	Officer (give title below) VP, Research & Cl			pecify
(Street)				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					Line)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)							7	Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tal	ole I - Non-D	erivativ	re Se	curitie	s Ac	quired, Di	sposed o	f, or Ber	neficially	y Owned				
Date			Transactio te onth/Day/Y	Execution Date,		Code (Instr. 5)			5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported	s ally following	6. Own Form: (D) or I (I) (Inst	Direct II Indirect E tr. 4) C	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
							Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a	ction(s)			(Instr. 4)	
			Table II - De (e.					uired, Disp s, options,				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	se (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	Transaction Code (Instr.		ve es d ed nstr. 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Employee Stock Option (right to	13.96	07/01/2003		A		10,000		07/28/2004 ⁽¹⁾	07/01/2013	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 0 ⁽²⁾	10,000)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The option becomes exercisable as to 25% on the stated date and thereafter at the rate of 1/48 per additional month of service.
- 2. Column 8 is not a required reportable field. New SEC software requires a dollar amount; use zeros per SEC.

/s/ William R. Benjamin

07/01/2003 ** 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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