#### FOREST LABORATORIES INC

Form 4

October 20, 2005

### FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* GOODMAN KENNETH E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

\_ Other (specify

Issuer

FOREST LABORATORIES INC

[FRX]

\_X\_ Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 10/18/2005

below) President and COO

X\_ Officer (give title

C/O FOREST LABORATORIES, 909 THIRD **AVENUE** 

(First)

(Middle)

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10022

| (City)                               | (State)                                 | (Zip) Tab   | ole I - Non-    | Derivative S                                | Securi                         | ties Acquir     | ed, Disposed of,   | or Beneficiall   | y Owned   |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|-----------------|---|--------------------------------|-----------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>or Dispose<br>(Instr. 3, 4 | d of (I<br>and 5)<br>(A)<br>or | 0)              | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 10/18/2005                              |   | Code V M        | Amount 400,000                              | (D)                            | Price \$ 5.5235 | 1,190,535 (1)  | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 10/19/2005                              |   | S               | 30,300                                      | D                              | \$ 34.6         | 1,160,235 (1)  | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 10/19/2005                              |   | S               | 1,500                                       | D                              | \$ 34.61        | 1,158,735 (1)  | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 10/19/2005                              |   | S               | 1,900                                       | D                              | \$ 34.63        | 1,156,835 (1)  | D  |   |
|                                      | 10/19/2005                              |   | S               | 2,000                                       | D                              | \$ 34.64        | 1,154,835 (1)  | D  |   |

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| Common<br>Stock |            |   |         |   |                          |
|-----------------|------------|---|---------|---|--------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock | 10/19/2005 | S | 3,900   | D | \$ 34.65 1,150,935 (1) D |
| Common<br>Stock | 10/19/2005 | S | 1,900   | D | \$ 34.66 1,149,035 (1) D |
| Common<br>Stock | 10/19/2005 | S | 3,100   | D | \$ 34.67 1,145,935 (1) D |
| Common<br>Stock | 10/19/2005 | S | 6,200   | D | \$ 34.68 1,139,735 (1) D |
| Common<br>Stock | 10/19/2005 | S | 1,400   | D | \$ 34.7 1,138,335 (1) D  |
| Common<br>Stock | 10/19/2005 | S | 1,000   | D | \$ 34.71 1,137,335 (1) D |
| Common<br>Stock | 10/19/2005 | S | 9,900   | D | \$ 34.72 1,127,435 (1) D |
| Common<br>Stock | 10/19/2005 | S | 3,900   | D | \$ 34.73 1,123,535 (1) D |
| Common<br>Stock | 10/19/2005 | S | 10,000  | D | \$ 34.75 1,113,535 (1) D |
| Common<br>Stock | 10/19/2005 | S | 2,000   | D | \$ 34.79 1,111,535 (1) D |
| Common<br>Stock | 10/19/2005 | S | 133,100 | D | \$ 34.8 978,435 (1) D    |
| Common<br>Stock | 10/19/2005 | S | 9,900   | D | \$ 34.81 968,535 (1) D   |
| Common<br>Stock | 10/19/2005 | S | 3,000   | D | \$ 34.83 965,535 (1) D   |
| Common<br>Stock | 10/19/2005 | S | 5,000   | D | \$ 34.84 960,535 (1) D   |

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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 | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed         | 4.         | 5. Number of    | 6. Date Exercisable and | 7. Title and Amount of |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|-----------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transactio | orDerivative    | Expiration Date         | Underlying Securities  |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code       | Securities      | (Month/Day/Year)        | (Instr. 3 and 4)       |
| (Instr. 3)  | Price of    |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or |                         |                        |

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|                         | Derivative<br>Security |            |      |   |     | Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4, and<br>5) |                     |                    |                 |                                  |
|-------------------------|------------------------|------------|------|---|-----|--|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
|                         |                        |            | Code | V | (A) | (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount of<br>Number of<br>Shares |
| Stock Options (Right to | \$ 5.5235              | 10/18/2005 | M    |   |     | 400,000                                    | 12/15/1995          | 12/15/2005         | Common<br>Stock | 400,000                          |

### **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                   |       |  |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| reporting Owner Numer Numers   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |  |  |  |  |
| GOODMAN KENNETH E<br>C/O FOREST LABORATORIES<br>909 THIRD AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10022 | X             |           | President and COO |       |  |  |  |  |

## **Signatures**

Kenneth E

buy)

Goodman 10/20/2005

\*\*Signature of Date

\*\*Signature of
Reporting Person

# **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) The reporting person beneficially owns 4,260,535 shares which includes options to purchase 3,300,000 shares.

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