FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHEMBIO DIAGNOSTICS, INC. [cemi]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
EPPNER GERALD A											,		1	X	Directo	or		10% Ov	vner	
(Last) KAYE S	(First) (Middle) TE SCHOLER LLP				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/18/2006										Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	specify	
425 PARK AVENUE						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) NEW YORK NY 10022													X	•						
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transar Date (Month/Date)						ar)	A. Deemed execution Date, fany Month/Day/Year)		Code (I	Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ties Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			5. Amount Securities Beneficial Owned F Reported	es Formally (D) (Following (I) (I		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) oi (D)	Pr	ice	Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(111341. 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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Ex Expiration (Month/Da	Date		7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	illy	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				c	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber						
Options to purchase Common Stock	\$0.55	03/18/2006			A		36,000		(1)	C	3/18/2011	Common Stock	36,0	000	\$0.55	87,000)	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on March 18, 2006.

Gerald A. Eppner

04/08/2006

** 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).
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