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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Hourani Alif

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS,

INC. [WCG]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

12/22/2004

C/O WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC., 8725 HENDERSON ROAD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

TAMPA, FL 33634

(City) (State)

(Month/Day/Year)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Code (Instr. 8)

Amount

6. Ownership 7. Nature of 5. Amount of Form: Direct Indirect Securities Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

(D)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Price

common stock

12/22/2004

S 10,000

Code V

47,331 304

D

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)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hourani Alif C/O WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC. 8725 HENDERSON ROAD TAMPA, FL 33634



Signatures

/s/ Michael Haber, Attorney-in-fact

12/27/2004

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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