

SHEEHY ROBERT J
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 SHEEHY ROBERT J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC
 [UNH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 CEO, UnitedHealthcare

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O UNITEDHEALTH GROUP
 INCORPORATED, 9900 BREN
 ROAD EAST
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 04/29/2005

MINNETONKA, MN 55343
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 04/29/2005 | | M | | 60,000 | A | \$ 10 |
| Common Stock | 04/29/2005 | | M | | 80,000 | A | \$ 13.0625 |
| Common Stock | 04/29/2005 | | S | | 140,000 | D | \$ 93.0595 |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 580 |
| | | | | | | I | by 401(k) |

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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)

| 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) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 10 | 04/29/2005 | | M | 60,000 | <u>(1)</u> 10/16/2008 | Common Stock | 60,000 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 13.0625 | 04/29/2005 | | M | 80,000 | <u>(2)</u> 02/06/2008 | Common Stock | 80,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHEEHY ROBERT J
C/O UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INCORPORATED
9900 BREN ROAD EAST
MINNETONKA, MN 55343

CEO,
UnitedHealthcare

Signatures

By: David J. Lubben For: Robert J. Sheehy 04/29/2005

____Signature of Reporting Person

____Date

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) Performance-based grant vested over 3 year period on annual review of performance guidelines.

(2) The option is exercisable as follows: 20,000 shares on 2/16/99; 15,000 shares on each of August 1, 2001, August 1, 2002, August 1, 2003, and February 6, 2004.

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