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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Newman Stephen L Issuer Symbol TENET HEALTHCARE CORP (Check all applicable) [THC] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 1445 ROSS AVENUE, SUITE 1400 02/25/2011 Chief Operating Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting DALLAS, TX 75202 Person

| (City) | (State) (| Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative S | ecurities A | cquired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly 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) | | es Acquirec posed of (E and 5) (A) or (D) Price | D) 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| • | (Month/Day/Year) | any | Code (Instr. 8) | (Instr. 3, 4 | (A) or | Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | (D) or Indirect (I) | Bene |

| | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | · |
|------------------|------------|--------|--------|------------------|-------------------|--|---|
| Common Stock (1) | 02/25/2011 | A | 46,503 | A | \$0 | 365,742 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/25/2011 | F | 16,951 | D | \$ 7.07 (2) | 348,791 | D |
| Common Stock (3) | 02/25/2011 | A | 46,503 | A | \$0 | 395,294 | D |
| Common Stock | 02/25/2011 | F | 16,951 | D | \$ 7.07 (2) | 378,343 | D |

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(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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

| 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 or Derivative Securities Acquir (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Expiration I ed (Month/Day f | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|------------------------------------|--|-------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title |
| 2010 February Performance-Based Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 5.03 (4) | 02/25/2011 | | A | 80,819 | <u>(4)</u> | 02/25/2020 | Comr Sto |
| 2010 February Performance-Based Restricted Units | <u>(1)</u> | 02/25/2011 | | A | 93,006 | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Com |
| 2010 February Restricted Units | (3) | 02/25/2011 | | D | 46,50 |)3 (3) | <u>(3)</u> | Comr |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Newman Stephen L 1445 ROSS AVENUE SUITE 1400 DALLAS, TX 75202

Chief Operating Officer

Signatures

/s/ Kristina A. Mack, Attorney-in-Fact for Stephen L. Newman

Date

03/01/2011

**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) (SN1) As previously reported, on February 25, 2010, the reporting person received a grant of 139,509 performance restricted units that were subject to the issuer's attainment of a specified one-year performance metric for the year then-ending December 31, 2010. The

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performance metric was met; therefore, these restricted units vest ratably on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant. The first anniversary occurred on February 25, 2011, resulting in the vesting and settlement of 46,503 shares of common stock, as shown in Table I. The remaining 93,006 performance restricted units, which will vest in equal amounts on February 25, 2012 and 2013, are shown in Table II. Restricted units are settled in shares of the issuer's common stock upon vesting.

- (2) Shares withheld for payment of taxes upon vesting of restricted units in accordance with Rule 16b-3.
 - (SN3) As previously reported, on February 25, 2010, the reporting person received a grant of 139,509 restricted units that vest ratably on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant. The first anniversary occurred on February 25, 2011, resulting in the
- (3) vesting and settlement of 46,503 shares of common stock as shown in Table II. The remaining 93,006 restricted units, as shown in Table II, will vest in equal amounts on February 25, 2012 and 2013. Restricted units are settled in shares of the issuer's common stock upon vesting.
 - (SN4) As previously reported, on February 25, 2010, the reporting person received a grant of 80,819 performance stock options that were subject to the issuer's attainment of a specified one-year performance metric for the year then-ending December 31, 2010. The
- (4) performance metric was met; therefore, these options vest ratably on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant. The performance stock options were granted with an exercise price of \$5.03, the closing price of the issuer's common stock on the date of grant.

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