

Patel Paresh  
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**FORM 4**

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Patel Paresh

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
5300 W. CYPRESS STREET, SUITE 100  
(Street)

TAMPA, FL 33607

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Homeowners Choice, Inc. [HCI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/16/2013

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

Chief Executive Officer

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price                             |
| Common stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 284,000   | D  | (1)                               |
| Common stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 65,450  | D  |                                   |
| Common stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 33,644  | I  | IRA                               |
| Common stock                    | 05/16/2013                           |  | A                              |   | 400,000 (2)   | 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)

| 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(3)</sup>                                  | \$ 2.5   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(4)</u> 09/05/2017                                    | Common  | 60,000                        |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(3)</sup>                                  | \$ 2.5   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(5)</u> 05/31/2017                                    | Common  | 60,000                        |
| Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, no par value <sup>(6)</sup> | \$ 10  |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/25/2011 <u>(7)</u>                                    | Common  | 10,000                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                 | Other |
| Patel Paresh<br>5300 W. CYPRESS STREET<br>SUITE 100<br>TAMPA, FL 33607 | X             |           | Chief Executive Officer |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Cathy J. Welch as Attorney-in-fact for Paresh  
Patel

05/20/2013

\_\_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) Shares are held jointly with spouse.

Restricted stock grant of 400,000 shares effective 5/16/2013: Restrictions will lapse: (i) as to 100,000 shares, one year after the closing price of HCI common shares equals or exceeds \$35 per share for 20 consecutive trading days; (ii) as to 100,000 shares, one year after the closing price of HCI common shares equals or exceeds \$50 per share for 20 consecutive trading days; (iii) as to 100,000 shares, one year after the closing price of HCI common shares equals or exceeds \$65 per share for 20 consecutive trading days; (iv) as to 100,000 shares, one year after the closing price of HCI common shares equals or exceeds \$80 per share for 20 consecutive trading days. All shares of which restrictions have not lapsed 6 years and one day from grant date will be forfeited. These shares were granted by the company pursuant to the company's 2012 Omnibus Incentive Plan and under the terms and conditions of a restricted stock agreement dated 5/16/2013.

(3) The options were granted pursuant to the Homeowners Choice, Inc. 2007 Stock Option and Incentive Plan.

(4) These options vest and become immediately exercisable upon the fair market value of the Company's Common Stock reaching \$7.50 per share.

(5) Commencing on June 1, 2007 and continuing on the first day of each calendar month thereafter through and including January 1, 2010, the amount of 5,000 options will vest and become exercisable on each such monthly vesting date.

(6) Shares were purchased in connection with Homeowners Choice, Inc.'s ("HCI") offering of its 7% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock ("Series A Preferred"), which was completed on March 25, 2011. Each share of the Series A Preferred will be convertible, at the holder's option at any time, initially into one share of HCI's common stock based upon an initial conversion price of \$10.00 per share.

(7) HCI may terminate this conversion right on or after March 31, 2014, if, for at least twenty trading days within any period of thirty consecutive trading days, the market price of HCI's common stock exceeds the conversion price of the Series A Preferred by more than 20% and HCI's common stock is then traded on the New York Stock Exchange, the NASDAQ Global Select Market, the NASDAQ Global Market, the NASDAQ Capital Market, or the NYSE Amex.

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