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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Susanin Timothy S.  
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 06/03/2009

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC. [WCG]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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

C/O WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC., 8725 HENDERSON ROAD, REN. 1  
 (Street)

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer  Other  
 (give title below) (specify below)  
 SVP, General Counsel & Sec.

TAMPA, FL 33634  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	10,000	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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (1)	11/03/2015	Common Stock	10,000	\$ 24.7	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	Â (2)	Â (2)	Common Stock	849	\$ (3)	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Susanin Timothy S. C/O WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC. 8725 HENDERSON ROAD, REN. 1 TAMPA, FL 33634	Â	Â	Â SVP, General Counsel & Sec.	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Michael Haber, 06/12/2009  
Attorney-in-fact

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) 2,500 options vest on November 3, 2009; 2,500 options vest on November 3, 2010; 2,500 options vest on November 3, 2011; and 2,500 options vest on November 3, 2012.
- (2) The restricted stock units vest in equal installments on each of the first through fourth anniversaries of March 13, 2009. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person upon vest.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of WCG common stock.

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