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Form 4

March 22, 2006

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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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 *

(First)

(Street)

WEST JEFFREY N

(Last)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

MAGELLAN HEALTH SERVICES

INC [MGLN]

(Check all applicable)

SVP & Controller

10% Owner

(Middle)

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

14100 MAGELLAN PLAZA 03/20/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

Person

MARYLAND HEIGHTS, MO 63043

> (City) (State)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Form: Direct Beneficially Owned (I) Following

(D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

Indirect

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of 8 Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8	Securities Acquired or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	(A) ed of	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		(
				Code V	/ (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (3)	\$ 38.2	03/20/2006		A	10,000		<u>(1)</u>	03/20/2016	Ordinary Common Stock	10,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WEST JEFFREY N 14100 MAGELLAN PLAZA MARYLAND HEIGHTS, MO 63043

SVP & Controller

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey N. 03/22/2006 West

**Signature of Date
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) Options vest and become exercisable in 33.3% incements on each of March 20, 2007, 2008 and 2009.
- (2) No price was applicable to the acquisition of this security.

Options issued pursuant to the Issuer's previous commitment to grant options to offset shortened exercise period of options exercised by (3) Mr. West on January 5, 2006. Such exercised options had been previously amended to shorten the term thereof to address the requirements of Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code.

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