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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Schiesser Heath

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

_X__ Director

WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS,

(Check all applicable)

President & CEO

INC. [WCG]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/28/2009

X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner _ Other (specify

C/O WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC., 8725 HENDERSON ROAD

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

TAMPA, FL 33634

(City)	(State)	(Zıp) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	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)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/28/2009		F	26,420	D	\$ 38.46	131,184	D	
Common Stock	12/28/2009		D <u>(1)</u>	68,187 (1)	D	\$0	49,852	D	
Common Stock							25,209	I	H Schiesser

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Common Stock

105,465

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Dtd 7/2/2008

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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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Titl Amou		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/		Under Securi	lying	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Schiesser Heath C/O WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC. 8725 HENDERSON ROAD **TAMPA**, FL 33634

X

President & CEO

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Signatures

/s/ Michael Haber, Attorney-in-fact

12/29/2009

**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) Forfeiture of restricted stock resulting from termination of employment.

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