#### WELLPOINT INC

Form 4

December 20, 2004

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* SCHAEFFER LEONARD D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

WELLPOINT INC [WLP]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(First) (Middle) (Last)

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

10% Owner Other (specify

120 MONUMENT CIRCLE

12/17/2004

X\_ Officer (give title below) Chairman of the Board

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Director

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

**INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204** 

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Zip)

(State)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Amount (D) Price

Common Stock

(City)

12/17/2004

G 1,960 D

\$0 1,731,216 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)

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCHAEFFER LEONARD D 120 MONUMENT CIRCLE INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204

Chairman of the Board

## **Signatures**

Nancy Purcell,

Attorney-in-fact 12/20/2004

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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