WELLPOINT INC

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

SCHAEFFER LEONARD D Symbol WELLPOINT INC [WLP] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 120 MONUMENT CIRCLE 12/29/2004

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

below) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

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Issuer

INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204 Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial anv (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code Amount (D) Price Common

12/29/2004 G 35,200 D \$0 1,696,016 D Stock

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Monus Day/Tear)	execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Y e		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)		Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SCHAEFFER LEONARD D 120 MONUMENT CIRCLE INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204	X						

Signatures

Nancy Purcell,

Attorney-in-fact 01/05/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

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

Date

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