

JENNINGS REYNOLD J
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
JENNINGS REYNOLD J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**TENET HEALTHCARE CORP
 [THC]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 13737 NOEL ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/16/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Operating Officer

DALLAS, TX 75240
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	02/16/2006		M	V	21,555 \$ 7.59	A	89,610 D
Common Stock	02/16/2006		F		7,067 \$ 7.59	D	82,543 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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
2005 February Restricted Units	<u>(1)</u>	02/16/2006		M	21,555	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	21,555
2000 B Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.21					<u>(2)</u>	12/05/2010	Common Stock	130,000
2001 D Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.41					<u>(2)</u>	12/04/2011	Common Stock	240,000
2002 B Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.56					<u>(2)</u>	12/10/2012	Common Stock	250,000
2003 A Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.65					<u>(2)</u>	03/11/2013	Common Stock	75,000
2004 March Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.01					<u>(2)</u>	03/03/2014	Common Stock	183,333
2004 March Restricted Units	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾					<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	24,445
2005 February Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.52					<u>(2)</u>	02/16/2015	Common Stock	183,333

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JENNINGS REYNOLD J 13737 NOEL ROAD DALLAS, TX 75240			Chief Operating Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Jennings,
Reynold J. 02/21/2006

 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) These restricted units vest ratably on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant. Restricted Units are settled in shares of the Company's common stock upon vesting.
- (2) These derivative securities (stock options) vest ratably on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.

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