Sassi Brian A Form 4 February 05, 2010

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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 ** Sassi Brian A | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | WELLPOINT, INC [WLP] | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | | | | |
| 120 MONUMENT CIRCLE | (Month/Day/Year) 02/03/2010 | Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) President & CEO Cons, EVP | | | |
| (Street) | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204 | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |

| (City) | (State) | Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative S | ecurit | ies Acq | quired, Disposed o | of, 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securit on(A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | sposed | of | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | 02/03/2010 | | Code V | Amount 26,137 (1) | (A) or (D) | Price \$ 0 | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 57,942 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 6,248 <u>(2)</u> | I | Stock Units Held In 401(k) Plan |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transacti | 5. orNumber | 6. Date Exerc Expiration D | | 7. Title Amount | | 8. Price of Derivative | 9. Nu Deriv |
|---------------------|------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|--|--|---|----------------|
| Security (Instr. 3) | | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | ise ve | any Code | | of | (Month/Day/Year) | | Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Security (Instr. 5) | Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr | |
| | | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title N | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

Sassi Brian A

120 MONUMENT CIRCLE President & CEO Cons, EVP

INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204

Signatures

/s/ Kathleen S. Kiefer, Attorney 02/05/2010 in fact

**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).
- Represents performance based restricted share units. Restrictions lapse as follows: 8,712 on March 2, 2010; 8,712 on March 2, 2011 and, 8,713 on March 2, 2012.
- (2) The information in this report is based on the plan trustees calculation of units held, as of January 29, 2010.

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