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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* HIPWELL ARTHUR P						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HUMANA INC [HUM]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner							
							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)									Officer (give title				ecify		
(Last)	t) (First) (Middle)						08/02/2004									below) below)						
	IUMANA INC.														Sr	VP & G	eneral	Counse	el ——			
500 WEST MAIN STREET						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
(Street)	HIE K	i.	10202											2				orting Pe		- 1		
LOUISVILLE KY 40202											Form filed by More than One Reporting Person											
(City)	(St	ate) (
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																					
Date				2. Transact Date (Month/Day	//Year)	Execution Date, ear) if any		Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. and 5)			rities Acquired (A) o ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			Securities Beneficially Owned		Form: D (D) or Indirect		Indii Bene Own	eficial ership			
									Code	v	Amoun	(A) o	Pri	ce	Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 a	on(s)	(Instr. 4)		(Instr. 4)			
Humana	Common ⁽¹⁾			08/02/2	004				G		2,00	0 D	9	50	96,539		9 D					
Humana Common ⁽¹⁾														300) I		See Footn		otnote ⁽²⁾			
Humana Common ⁽¹⁾															18,750				See Footnote ⁽³⁾			
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	ion Date,		ransaction Code (Instr.		ber vative rities uired or osed) r. 3,	6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year			7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numi derivati Securiti Benefic Owned Followi Reporte Transac (Instr. 4	ive ies sially ing ed ction(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
									Date		piration		Amo or Num of	ber	1 1							
					Code	V	(A)	(D)	Exercisable	Da	ite	Title	Shar	es					\dashv			
Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$15.5938								(5)	_	(5)	Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	127,	264		127,264		D				
Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$15.5938								(6)	01	/15/2008	Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	4,3	16		4,316		D				
Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$9.5938								(7)	09	/09/2009	Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	50,0	000		50,0	50,000		_			
Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$12.995								(8)	03	/13/2012	Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	45,0	000		45,0	45,000		_			
Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$9.26								(9)	03	/13/2013	Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	50,0	000		50,000		D	D			
Options ⁽¹⁰⁾	\$21,275								(11)	02	/24/2014	Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	60,0	000		60,000		D				
Phantom Stock Units	(12)								(12)		(12)	Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	10,3	308		10,3	10,308			See Footnote ⁽¹²⁾		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Each share of Common Stock contains a Right adopted on March 5, 1987, pursuant to the Company Rights Agreement, as amended and restated on February 14, 1996, and amended as of May 27, 1998 and March 1, 1999, which entitles holders of the Company's Common Stock, in the event certain specified events occur, to acquire 1/100 of a share of Series A Participating Preferred Stock at a price of \$145 per fractional share.
- 2. Shares held on behalf of minor children.

- 3. Shares held for the benefit of reporting person as of July 31, 2004 under the Humana Retirement & Savings Plan including a routine disposition of shares to fund an administrative fee assessment under a Tax-Conditioned Plan, both exempt under Rule 16b-3(c).
- 4. Right to buy pursuant to the Company's 1996 Stock Incentive Plan for Employees.
- 5. Non-Qualified stock options granted to reporting person on 9/17/98, fully vested on 9/1/99 with 68,800 options expiring on 1/12/05, 36,680 options expiring on 1/9/2007 and 21,784 options expiring on 1/15/2008.
- 6. Incentive stock options granted to reporting person on 9/17/98 and fully vested on 9/1/99.
- 7. Incentive and Non-Qualified stock options granted to reporting person on 9/9/99 and fully vested on 9/9/02.
- 8. Incentive and Non-Qualified stock options granted to reporting person on 3/13/02, vesting in three increments each from 3/13/03 to 3/13/05.
- 9. Incentive and Non-Qualified stock options granted to reporting person on 3/13/03, NQ options vesting in three increments from 3/13/04 to 3/13/06, and ISO's vesting on 3/13/06.
- 10. Right to buy pursuant to the Company's 2003 Stock Incentive Plan.
- 11. Incentive and Non-Qualified stock options granted to reporting person on 2/24/04, NQ options vesting in three increments from 2/24/05 to 2/24/07, and ISO's vesting on 2/24/07.
- 12. Phantom Stock Units held for the benefit of reporting person as of July 31, 2004 based on the value of Humana common stock on a 1-for-1 basis, under the Humana Excess Plan exempt under Rule 16b-3(c and d).

Remarks:

Arthur P. Hipwell 08/02/2004

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

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