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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MURRAY JAMES E <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) HUMANA INC. 500 WEST MAIN STREET <hr/> (Street) LOUISVILLE KY 40202 <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip)	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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) COO-Mkt & Bus. Segment Ops
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/17/2004	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	12/17/2004		G		856	D	\$0	225,126	D	
Humana Common ⁽¹⁾								7,361	I	See Footnote ⁽²⁾
Humana Common ⁽¹⁾								19,041	I	See Footnote ⁽³⁾

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$15.5938							09/17/1999	01/12/2005	Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	34,400	34,400	D	
Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$15.5938							01/09/2000 ⁽⁵⁾	01/09/2007	Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	59,605	59,605	D	
Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$15.5938							01/15/2001 ⁽⁶⁾	01/15/2008	Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	34,800	34,800	D	
Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$19.25							01/15/2002 ⁽⁷⁾	01/15/2009	Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	30,000	30,000	D	
Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$7.4688							11/18/2002 ⁽⁸⁾	11/18/2009	Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	100,000	100,000	D	
Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$12.995							03/13/2005 ⁽⁹⁾	03/13/2012	Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	20,000	20,000	D	
Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$9.26							03/13/2006 ⁽¹⁰⁾	03/13/2013	Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	50,000	50,000	D	
Options ⁽¹¹⁾	\$21.275							(12)	02/24/2014	Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	85,000	85,000	D	
Phantom Stock Units	(13)							(13)	(13)	Humana Common ⁽¹⁾	9,564	9,564	I	See Footnote ⁽¹³⁾

Explanation of Responses:

- 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.
- Shares held by reporting person's spouse.

3. Stock units held for the benefit of reporting person as of November 30, 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 Company's 1996 Stock Incentive Plan for Employees.
5. Incentive and Non-Qualified Stock Options were granted to reporting person on 9/17/98 vesting in two increments, 9/17/99 and 1/9/00.
6. Incentive and Non-Qualified Stock Options were granted to reporting person on 9/17/98 vesting in three increments each from 9/17/99 to 1/15/01.
7. Incentive and Non-Qualified Stock Options were granted to reporting person on 1/15/99 vesting in three increments each from 1/15/00 to 1/15/02.
8. Non-Qualified Stock Options were granted to reporting person on 11/18/99 vesting in three increments from 11/18/00 to 11/18/02.
9. Incentive Stock Options were granted to reporting person on 3/13/02 vesting in thirds from 3/13/03 to 3/13/05.
10. Incentive and Non-Qualified Stock Options were granted to reporting person on 3/13/03 vesting in three increments each from 3/13/04 to 3/13/06.
11. Right to buy pursuant to Company's 2003 Stock Incentive Plan.
12. Incentive and Non-Qualified Stock Options were granted to reporting person on 2/24/04 vesting in three increments from 2/24/05 to 2/24/07, and ISO's vesting on 02/24/07.
13. Phantom Stock Units held for the benefit of reporting person as of November 30, 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:

James E. Murray

12/17/2004

** 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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