FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] BERTKO JOHN M | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HUMANA INC [HUM] | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issue (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|------------------|--|--------|---|--------|-----|-------------------|--|--------------------|------|--|--|---|---|--|---|---|-------------------------|--|
| (Last) HUMAN | Last) (First) (Middle) HUMANA INC. | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/24/2004 | | | | | | | | | X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Vice President & Chief Actuary | | | | | | |
| 500 WEST MAIN STREET | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | | |
| (Street) | eet) DUISVILLE KY 40202 | | | | | X Form filed by One Repo Form filed by More than Person | | | | | | | | | | · | | | | | |
| (City) | (S | tate) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day | | | | | /Year) | Execution Da | | | Code (Ins | | n Dispose | | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | : | (A) or (D) | Price | Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 4) (| | (Insti | r. 4) | |
| Humana Common ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 37,126 | | D | | | | |
| Humana Common ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1,420 | | | | See Foo | tnote ⁽²⁾ | |
| | 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) | Execut if any | A. Deemed Execution Date, f any Month/Day/Year) | | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | of | | 6. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | Title and Securitie derlying tivative S str. 3 and | Security | 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) | | Beneficial Ownership | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisat | | Expiration Date | Titl | e | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | | |
| Options ⁽³⁾ | \$7.4688 | | | | | | | | (4) | | 11/18/2009 | | umana nmon ⁽¹⁾ | 50,000 | | 50, | ,000 | D | | | |
| Options- ISO ⁽³⁾ | \$12.995 | | | | | | | | (5) | • | 03/13/2012 | | umana nmon ⁽¹⁾ | 10,000 | | 10, | ,000 | D | | | |
| Options ⁽³⁾ | \$9.26 | | | | | | | | (6) | • | 03/13/2013 | | umana nmon ⁽¹⁾ | 20,000 | | 20, | ,000 | D | | | |
| Options ⁽⁷⁾ | \$21.275 | 02/24/2004 | | | Α | | 15,000 | | (8) | - | 02/24/2014 | | umana nmon ⁽¹⁾ | 15,000 | \$21.275 | 15, | ,000 | D | | | |

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 for reporting person's benefit as of January 24, 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).

3. Right to buy pursuant to the Company's 1996 Stock Incentive Plan for Employees.

4. Non-qualified stock options granted to reporting person on 11/18/99 vesting in four increments from 11/18/01 to 11/18/04.

5. Incentive stock options granted to reporting person on 3/13/02 vesting in three increments from 3/13/03 to 3/13/05.

6. Incentive and Non-qualified stock options granted to reporting person on 3/13/03, NQ options vesting in two increments on 3/13/04 and 3/13/05, and ISO's to vest in three increments from 3/13/04 to 3/13/06.

7. Right to buy pursuant to the Company's 2003 Stock Incentive Plan.

8. 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 in two increments on 2/24/06 and 2/24/07.

Remarks:

02/24/2004

** 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).

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