

MOLINA HEALTHCARE INC
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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 *
ERICKSON DAVID W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MOLINA HEALTHCARE INC [MOH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O MOLINA HEALTHCARE, INC., ONE GOLDEN SHORE DRIVE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/02/2004

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
V.P. Information Services; CIO

(Street)
LONG BEACH, CA 90802

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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			
Common Stock	12/02/2004		M	30,000 A \$ 2	30,000	D	
Common Stock	12/02/2004		S	30,000 D \$ 43.4122 (4)	0	D	

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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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2	12/02/2004		M	30,000	<u>(1)</u> 09/21/2009	Common Stock	30,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.33					<u>(2)</u> 02/10/2014	Common Stock	15,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.5					<u>(3)</u> 12/27/2010	Common Stock	7,320

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ERICKSON DAVID W C/O MOLINA HEALTHCARE, INC. ONE GOLDEN SHORE DRIVE LONG BEACH, CA 90802			V.P. Information Services; CIO	

Signatures

David W. Erickson, by Jeff D. Barlow,
Attorney-in-Fact. 12/06/2004

__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) The options became fully exercisable as of 5/1/2002.

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- (2) The options vest one-third on each of 2/10/2005, 2/10/2006, and 2/10/2007.
- (3) The options became fully exercisable upon the closing of the initial public offering of the issuer.
- (4) Represents the weighted average of 28 separate sales on 12/02/2004.

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