

INDEPENDENCE HOLDING CO
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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 *
KETTIG DAVID T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
INDEPENDENCE HOLDING CO
[IHC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
96 CUMMINGS POINT RD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
11/14/2006

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Co-COO and Senior VP

STAMFORD, CT 06902

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock	11/14/2006		M	9,095 A \$ 9.39	59,301	D	
Common Stock	11/14/2006		S	5,600 D \$ 22.37	23,701	D	
Common Stock	11/15/2006		M	1,295 A \$ 9.39	24,996	D	
Common Stock	11/15/2006		S	800 D \$ 22.19	24,196	D	

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 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)	\$ 9.39	11/14/2006		M	9,095	02/19/2005 02/18/2007	Common Stock	9,095
stock option (right to buy)	\$ 9.39	11/15/2006		M	1,295	02/19/2005 02/18/2007	Common Stock	1,295

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KETTIG DAVID T 96 CUMMINGS POINT RD STAMFORD, CT 06902			Co-COO and Senior VP	

Signatures

David T. Kettig 11/16/2006

**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).

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