HERBERT TERESA A

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HERBERT TERESA A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

INDEPENDENCE HOLDING CO

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

(Month/Day/Year)

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10/07/2009

below) SVP and CFO

96 CUMMINGS POINT RD

Applicable Line)

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

> _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

> > (Instr. 4)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

STAMFORD, CT 06902

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4)

SEC 1474

Reported Transaction(s)

(A) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8 **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	or D: (D)	uired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,				(
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.99	10/07/2009		D			10,000	<u>(1)</u>	11/29/2010	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.15	10/07/2009		D			15,000	(3)	06/18/2011	Common Stock	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HERBERT TERESA A 96 CUMMINGS POINT RD STAMFORD, CT 06902

SVP and CFO

Signatures

/s/ Teresa A. 10/08/2009 Herbert

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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 were 100% exercisable as of November 30, 2008.
- (2) The options were cancelled by mutual consent of the reporting person and Independence Holding Company. The reporting person received \$500 as consideration for the cancellation.
- (3) The options were 100% exercisable as of June 19, 2009.
- (4) The options were cancelled by mutual agreement of the reporting person and Independence Holding Company. The reporting person received \$\\$750 as consideration for the cancellation.

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