

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
**BUFORD T MARK**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC [CYH]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**155 FRANKLIN ROAD, SUITE 400**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/02/2005**

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Executive Officer - Reporting**

**BRENTWOOD, TN 37027**

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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	05/02/2005	05/02/2005	M	10,000	A \$ 13	40,451	D
Common Stock	05/02/2005	05/02/2005	S	100	D \$ 37.04	40,351	D
Common Stock	05/02/2005	05/02/2005	S	9,900	D \$ 36.95	30,451	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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 13	05/02/2005	05/02/2005	M	10,000	06/08/2001	06/08/2010	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 20.3					05/22/2004	05/22/2013	Common Stock	70,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 32.37					02/28/2006	02/28/2015	Common Stock	20,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
BUFORD T MARK 155 FRANKLIN ROAD SUITE 400 BRENTWOOD, TN 37027	Director 10% Owner Officer Executive Officer - Reporting

## Signatures

Rachel A. Seifert, Attorney  
in Fact 05/03/2005

\_\_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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