JOBE WARREN Y Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading JOBE WARREN Y Issuer Symbol WELLPOINT INC [WLP] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 120 MONUMENT CIRCLE 12/09/2004 below) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204** 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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or | | 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) | | |
| Common Stock | 12/09/2004 | | Code V S | Amount 3,200 | (D) | Price \$ 105.27 | 8,570 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/09/2004 | | S | 100 | D | \$ 105.37 | 8,470 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/09/2004 | | S | 155 | D | \$ 105.47 | 8,315 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/10/2004 | | S | 1,100 | D | \$ 107.48 | 7,215 | 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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Titl | e and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|------------------|-------------|---------|--|-------------|--------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | orNumber | Expiration D | ate | Amou | nt of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Under | lying | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Securi | ties | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr. | 3 and 4) | | Owne |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | Follo |
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| | | | | | Disposed | | | | | | Trans |
| | | | | | of (D) | | | | | | (Instr |
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| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | Date | Expiration | | | | |
| | | | | | | Exercisable Date | Date | | | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | | | |
| | | | | Code V | 4, and 5) | | • | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| • | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| JOBE WARREN Y | | | | | | | |
| 120 MONUMENT CIRCLE | X | | | | | | |
| INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204 | | | | | | | |

Signatures

Nancy Purcell,

Attorney-in-fact 12/13/2004

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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