WELLPOINT INC

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HELWIG DAVID S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WELLPOINT INC [WLP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	, 11		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
120 MONUMENT CIRCLE			04/04/2005	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP		
(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		
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	(A or		osed of (D) and 5) 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	04/04/2005		A	8,125 (1)	A	\$ 126.72	45,112.2222 (2)	D	
Common Stock							342	I	Held by Son
Common Stock							227	I	Held by Daughter
Common Stock							3,729	I	401(k)
Common Stock							77,335	Ι	Helwig Family Trust

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 126.72	04/04/2005		A	65,000	10/04/2005(3)	04/04/2015	Common Stock	65,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HELWIG DAVID S							
120 MONUMENT CIRCLE			EVP				
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204							

Signatures

Nancy Purcell,
Attorney-in-fact

**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) Represents restricted shares. Restrictions lapse in three equal annual installments on April 4, 2006, 2007 and 2008.
- (2) Includes 222.2222 shares acquired under the WellPoint, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) Exercisable in six equal installments on 10/4/05, 4/4/06, 10/4/06, 4/4/07, 10/4/07 and 4/4/08.

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