COLBY DAVID C

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * COLBY DAVID C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

WELLPOINT INC [WLP]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director X_ Officer (give title _

10% Owner

120 MONUMENT CIRCLE

(Month/Day/Year) 01/26/2006

below)

__ Other (specify

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(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Person

INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - N	on-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8			(A)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/26/2006		M		5,760	A	\$ 0	110,474.4444	D	
Common Stock	01/26/2006		F		1,309	D	\$ 74.5	109,165.4444	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2005		D	V	33,141	D	\$ 77.37	0	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)	Code	5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	e Expiration I (Month/Day	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	
Deferred Comp Stock Units	\$ 0	01/26/2006	M	5,760	(1)	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	5,760	\$ (

Reporting Owners

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

COLBY DAVID C 120 MONUMENT CIRCLE INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204

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Signatures

Nancy Purcell,

Attorney-in-fact 01/30/2006

**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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Deferred share right grant made in the Company's Comprehensive Executive Non-qualified Retirement Plan and awarded pursuant to the Company's 1999 Stock Incentive Plan. The deferred shares will vest in three equal annual installments beginning January 26, 2005, January 26, 2006 and January 26, 2007.

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