KINDRED HEALTHCARE, INC

Form 4

March 14, 2006

FORM 4

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 * LECHLEITER RICHARD A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

KINDRED HEALTHCARE, INC

(Check all applicable)

[KND]

(Last)

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

X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

680 SOUTH FOURTH STREET

(Street)

03/13/2006

(Month/Day/Year)

below) Executive VP and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Director

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

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

LOUISVILLE, KY 40202

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or (D) Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Common Stock

(Instr. 3)

03/13/2006

G V 1,575 D

Amount

\$0 89,717

D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underl	ying	Security	Secui
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	Security				Acquired						Follo
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				Code V	(A) (D)			,	Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LECHLEITER RICHARD A 680 SOUTH FOURTH STREET LOUISVILLE, KY 40202

Executive VP and CFO

Signatures

Richard A. Usehleiter 03/14/2006

**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).

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