

# FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

<b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</b> <b>Porter, Biggs C.</b>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <b>13737 Noel Road</b>  (Street) <b>Dallas, TX 75240</b>  (City) (State) (Zip)	<b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b> <b>Tenet Healthcare Corporation THC</b>	<b>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</b> (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)  <b>Chief Financial Officer</b> <hr/> <b>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing</b> (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
<b>3. Date of Earliest Transaction Required to be Reported</b> (Month/Day/Year)  <b>03/06/2009</b>		<b>4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)</b>

**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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/06/2009		M		24,666	A	\$0.92	199,717	D	
Common Stock	03/06/2009		F		6,525	D	\$0.92	193,192	D	
Common Stock								25,000	I	By Trust

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

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

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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)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
2008 March Restricted Units	(1)	03/06/2009		M			24,666	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	24,666	\$0.92	49,334	D	
2006 June Option (Right to Buy)	\$7.76							(2)	06/05/2016	Common Stock	144,583		144,583	D	
2006 June Restricted Units	\$0.00 (1)							(1)	(1)	Common Stock	115,667		115,667	D	
2007 March Option (Right to Buy)	\$6.60							(2)	03/01/2017	Common Stock	100,000		100,000	D	
2007 March Restricted Units	\$0.00 (1)							(1)	(1)	Common Stock	16,667		16,667	D	
2007 Performance Based Restricted Units (P)	\$0.00 (3)							(3)	(3)	Common Stock	75,000		75,000	D	
2008 March Option (Right to Buy)	\$4.94							(2)	03/06/2018	Common Stock	270,000		270,000	D	
2009 February Option (Right to Buy)	\$1.14							(2)	02/26/2019	Common Stock	1,100,000		1,100,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

**See attached statement**

03/10/2009

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

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person  
**Biggs C. Porter**

Date

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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**Explanation of responses:**

- (1) These restricted units vest ratably on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant. Restricted Units are settled in shares of the Company's common stock upon vesting.
- (2) These derivative securities (stock options) vest ratably on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.
- (3) On the third anniversary of the date of grant, these restricted units vest conditionally based on the average of the closing price of the Company's common stock on the last 40 trading days of 2009 ("Stock Price") as follows: 25,000 restricted units vest if the Stock Price is \$6.75 or less; 50,000 restricted units vest if the Stock Price is \$8.50; and 75,000 restricted units if the Stock Price is \$10.25 or greater. Straight-line interpolation will be used to determine the number of restricted units vesting for Stock Prices between the threshold prices stated. Restricted units are settled in shares of the Company's common stock upon vesting.