Newman Stephen L Form 4 February 26, 2010

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1(b).

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may continue.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Newman Stephen L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

TENET HEALTHCARE CORP

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

[THC] (Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2010

below)

below) Chief Operating Officer

1445 ROSS AVENUE, SUITE 1400

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

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Person

DALLAS, TX 75202

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

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

(9-02)

(A) or

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock

261,515

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)

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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, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) (I		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
2010 February Option (Right to Buy) (1)	\$ 5.03	02/25/2010		A	80,819	<u>(2)</u>	02/25/2020	Common Stock	80,819
2010 February Restricted Units (1)	(3)	02/25/2010		A	139,509	<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	139,50

Reporting Owners

	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Newman Stephen L 1445 ROSS AVENUE SUITE 1400 DALLAS, TX 75202

Chief Operating Officer

Signatures

/s/ Stephen L. Newman 02/26/2010

**Signature of Reporting 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).
- (N) On February 25, 2010, the reporting person also received a grant of 80,819 performance stock options and 139,509 performance restricted units. These grants are subject to the issuer's attainment of a specified one-year performance metric for the year ending December 31, 2010. If the performance metric is not met, the grants will be forfeited. If the performance metric is met, the grants will vest ratably over a three-year period from the grant date.
- (2) These derivative securities (stock options) vest ratably on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.
- (3) 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.

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