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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

SHULMAN STEVEN J

(Last) (First) (Middle) Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

06/09/2006

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

HealthMarkets, Inc. [N/A]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

55 NON ROAD

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner Other (give title below) (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

AVON, CTÂ 06001

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

_X__ Director

Officer

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

(I) (Instr. 5) 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect

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

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

1. Title of Derivative 2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of 4. 5. 6. Nature of Indirect Security **Expiration Date** Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 4) **Derivative Security** or Exercise Form of Ownership (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative (Instr. 5) Derivative Security: Date Exercisable Expiration Security Direct (D) Date Amount or or Indirect Title Number of (I) Shares (Instr. 5)

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Class A-1

Stock Option 06/09/2007(1) 06/09/2016 Common 6,757 \$ 37 D Â

Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHULMAN STEVEN J

55 NON ROAD Â X Â Â Â

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Signatures

Steven J. Shulman by /s/ Peggy G. Simpson, POA

06/13/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) The options vest 20% on each anniversary date of grant, June 9, 2006, beginning with the first anniversary of the date of grant, based on continued service as a Director

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