TENET HEALTHCARE CORP

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PETTINGILL RICHARD			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TENET HEALTHCARE CORP [THC]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
13737 NOEL ROAD			11/06/2008					below) below)			
				ndment, Dat	_			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
File				th/Day/Year)				Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
DALLAS, TX 75240								Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year) Execution any			3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired tion(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	11/06/2008			P	10,000	A	\$ 2.64	10,000	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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secui (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
2004 March Director Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.42					03/25/2004	03/25/2014	Common Stock	49,904	
2004 October Director Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (2)					<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	12,195	
2005 May Director Stock Units (1)	\$ 0					(2)	(2)	Common Stock	10,833	
2006 May Director Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (2)					<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	17,264	
2007 May Director Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (3)					(3)	(3)	Common Stock	18,651	
2008 May Director Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 <u>(3)</u>					(3)	(3)	Common Stock	22,807	
Stock Units (4)	\$ 0					(5)	(5)	Common Stock	26,630	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PETTINGILL RICHARD 13737 NOEL ROAD

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Signatures

DALLAS, TX 75240

/s/ Pettingill, Richard R. 11/07/2008

**Signature of Reporting Date
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).
- (1) These Stock Units were awarded under the Company's Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2) These Stock Units vest ratably on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant or become fully vested upon termination of service, whichever occurs first, and are settled in shares of the Company's common stock only upon termination of service.
 - These Stock Units vest ratably on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant or become fully vested upon
- (3) termination of service, whichever occurs first, and are settled in shares of the Company's common stock on the date they become fully vested, unless settlement has been deferred in accordance with the Company's Stock Incentive Plan.
- (4) These Stock Units were accrued under the Company's Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (5) These Stock Units are settled in shares of the Company's common stock upon termination of service.

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