JOHNSON JAMES A /DC/

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JOHNSON JAMES A /DC/

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC [UNH]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

01/31/2006

X_ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INCORPORATED, 9900 BREN ROAD EAST

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

MINNETONKA, MN 55343

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

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

(A)

Transaction(s)

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

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Deriv Secur	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative	Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares
Stoc	a-Qualified ck Option ht to buy)	\$ 59.42	01/31/2006		A	810	01/31/2006	01/31/2016	Common Stock	810

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JOHNSON JAMES A /DC/ C/O UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INCORPORATED 9900 BREN ROAD EAST MINNETONKA, MN 55343

X

Signatures

By: David J. Lubben For: James A.

Johnson 02/02/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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