

HERBERT TERESA A  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
HERBERT TERESA A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
INDEPENDENCE HOLDING CO [IHC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
96 CUMMINGS POINT RD  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/19/2013

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
CFO and SVP

STAMFORD, CT 06902

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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)**

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.99	03/19/2013	03/19/2013	D <sup>(1)</sup>			27,500 <sub>(2)</sub>		<u>(1)</u>	03/19/2013	Common Stock	27,500
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.99	03/19/2013	03/19/2013	A <sup>(1)</sup>			27,500		<u>(1)</u>	03/19/2018	Common Stock	27,500

### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HERBERT TERESA A 96 CUMMINGS POINT RD STAMFORD, CT 06902			CFO and SVP	

### Signatures

Teresa A. 03/19/2013  
Herbert

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person      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).
- The two reported transactions involved an amendment of an outstanding option, resulting in the deemed cancellation of the "old" option and the grant of a replacement option. The option originally expired on March 19, 2013 and provided for vesting in 3 equal annual installments commencing on March 19, 2009. The new option expires on March 19, 2018 and provides for vesting in 2 equal annual installments commencing on March 19, 2014.
- (1)     installments commencing on March 19, 2009. The new option expires on March 19, 2018 and provides for vesting in 2 equal annual installments commencing on March 19, 2014.
- (2)     Adjusted for the 10% stock dividend paid on February 17, 2012.

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