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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NEWMAN MARK S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

OPTICARE HEALTH SYSTEMS

(Check all applicable)

INC [OPT]

03/06/2006

(First) (Middle)

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

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

C/O OPTICARE HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC., 87 GRANDVIEW

(Street)

AVENUE

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

(Instr. 4)

WATERBURY, CT 06708

(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. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

(Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) 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)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of iorDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.33	03/06/2006		D	50,000	<u>(1)</u>	05/09/2015	Common Stock	50,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.45	03/06/2006		D	40,000	<u>(2)</u>	05/07/2014	Common Stock	40,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.65	03/06/2006		D	50,000	(3)	02/28/2013	Common Stock	50,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.2	03/06/2006		D	150,000	<u>(4)</u>	05/21/2012	Common Stock	150,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

NEWMAN MARK S C/O OPTICARE HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC. 87 GRANDVIEW AVENUE WATERBURY, CT 06708

X

Signatures

/s/ Mark S. Newman 03/08/2006

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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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).
- Pursuant to the merger agreement between the Issuer and Refac, this option, which provided for immediate vesting on May 9, 2005, was assumed by Refac in the merger and replaced with an option to purchase 2,360 shares of Refac Common Stock for \$6.99 per share. The terms and provisions of the Issuer's option plans will continue to apply to the options assumed by Refac.
- This option, which provided for immediate vesting on May 7, 2004, was assumed by Refac in the merger and replaced with an option to purchase 1,888 shares of Refac Common Stock for \$9.53 per share. The terms and provisions of the Issuer's option plans will continue to apply to the options assumed by Refac.
- This option, which provided for immediate vesting on February 28, 2003, was assumed by Refac in the merger and replaced with an option to purchase 2,360 shares of Refac Common Stock for \$13.77 per share. The terms and provisions of the Issuer's option plans will continue to apply to the options assumed by Refac.
- This option, which provided for immediate vesting on May 21, 2002, was assumed by Refac in the merger and replaced with an option to purchase 7,080 shares of Refac Common Stock for \$4.24 per share. The terms and provisions of the Issuer's option plans will continue to apply to the options assumed by Refac.

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