

Sassi Brian A
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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 *
 Sassi Brian A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 WELLPOINT, INC [WLP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 120 MONUMENT CIRCLE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/01/2010

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President & CEO Cons, EVP

INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	03/01/2010		F	258 ⁽¹⁾	D \$ 62.06	57,684	D
Common Stock	03/01/2010		A	10,071 ⁽²⁾	A \$ 0	67,755	D
Common Stock	03/02/2010		F	6,974 ⁽¹⁾	D \$ 61.9	60,781	D

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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 (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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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 or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 62.06	03/01/2010		A	44,760	⁽³⁾	03/01/2017	Common Stock	44,760

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Sassi Brian A 120 MONUMENT CIRCLE INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204			President & CEO Cons, EVP	

Signatures

/s/ Kathleen S. Kiefer, Attorney
in fact

03/03/2010

**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).

(1) PAYMENT OF TAX LIABILITY BY WITHHOLDING STOCK INCIDENT TO THE VESTING OF PREVIOUSLY GRANTED RESTRICTED STOCK.

(2) Represents restricted share units. Restrictions lapse in three annual installments of 3,357 each on 3/1/11, 3/1/12 and 3/1/13.

(3) Exercisable in six equal installments of 7,460 each on 9/1/10, 3/1/11, 9/1/11, 3/1/12, 9/1/12 and 3/1/13.

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