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Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Instruction 1(b) or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person' (Check all applicable) COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC FREY DALE F Director Х 10% Owner CYH] Officer (give title Other (specify (Last) (First) (Middle) below) below) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD 12/29/2006 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) (Street) FRANKLIN 37067 X Form filed by One Reporting Person TN Form filed by More than One Reporting (Citv) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) Transaction Date Execution Date Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially Owned Following (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year) Code (Instr 8) Beneficial Ownership Reported (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) (A) or (D) Code v Amount Price Common Stock 01/03/2007 3,000 A \$0.00 7,000 D A Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 1. Title of Derivative 8. Price of Derivative 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount 9. Number of 10. Ownership 11. Nature Conversion Execution Date Transaction of Indirect Date Derivative Expiration Date of Securities derivative Code (Instr. 8) Security (Instr. 3) or Exercise Price of if any (Month/Day/Year) Underlying Derivative Security (Month/Day/Year) Securities (Month/Day/Year) Security (Instr. 5) Securities Form: Direct (D) Beneficial Acquired (A) Beneficially Ownership Derivative or Disposed (Instr. 3 and 4) Owned or Indirect (Instr. 4) of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Following Reported Security (I) (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) Amount (Instr. 4) Date Expiration Number (D) Exercisable of Shares Code v (A) Date Title Stock Commor 12/29/2006 462.076 (2) (2) 462.076 3,679.562 D \$0.00⁽¹⁾ А \$36.52 Units (SU Stock Stock Common Options \$8.96 05/14/1998 05/14/2007 25,681 25,681 D (Right to Stock Buy) Stock Options Commor \$20.46 01/02/2004 01/02/2013 5,000 5,000 D (Right to Stock Buy) Stock Options Commor \$26.95 01/02/2005 01/02/2014 5.000 5 000 D (Right to Stock Buy) Stock Options Common 01/03/2006 01/03/2015 \$27.71 5.000 5,000 D (Right to Stock

Explanation of Responses:

Buy)

1. The security converts to common stock on a one-to-one basis.

2. The SU were accrued under the Company's Directors Fees Deferral Plan and are settled 100% in the Company's common stock upon cessation as a director or upon a date specified by the director. **Remarks:**

Rachel A. Seifert, Attorney in
Fact for Dale F. Frey

01/03/2007

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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