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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WATSON H MITCHELL JR | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC CYH | | | | | | | k all applica Director | , | | son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner | | | | |
|--|---|--|---|-------------------|---|---|-----------------------------|---|-----------------|--------------------|---|---|---|---|-------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| (Last) 4000 MI | , | First) | (Middle) | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2010 | | | | | | | | Officer (o | give title | | Other (s below) | specify | | |
| (Street) FRANK | LIN T | 'N | 37067 | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | Line) | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicane) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | 1 | | | | |
| (City) | (5 | State) | (Zip) | Davis | | . | - 0 - | | D:- | | f D | e: - | | O | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Tran | | | | 2. Transa Date | vative Securities Accordance Securities Accordance 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | e, Transaction Code (Instr. | | of, or Benefici | | or | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | |
| | | | | | | Code V Amount (A) or (D) Price Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | | | | (Instr. 4) | | | | | | |
| Common | ommon Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | 10,050 | | D | | | | |
| | | | Table II - I | | | | | | | | | | | wned | | | | | |
| 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/Ye | 4. Tran | saction Derivative E | | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Securitie | | | and Amount of es Underlying ve Security | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) 8. Price of Derivative Security (Own Folic Repr | | e es ally g | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficia) Ownersh ct (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | Cod | e V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisa | | Expiration Date | Title | | unt or per of es | | Transact (Instr. 4) | on(s) | | | |
| Stock Units (SU) | \$0.00 | 03/31/2010 | | A | | 609.2608 | | (1) | | (1) | Common | 609. | 2608 | \$0.00 | 7,929.6348 | | D | | |
| Phantom Stock | \$0.00 | | | | | | | (2) | | (2) | Common Stock | 4, | 768 | | 4,76 | 8 | D | | |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$0.00 | | | | | | | 02/24/20 | 11 | (3) | Common Stock | 4,: | 130 | | 4,13 | 0 | D | | |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$25.13 | | | | | | | 05/25/20 | 05 (| 05/25/2014 | Common Stock | 10, | 000 | | 10,00 | 00 | D | | |
| Stock Options (Right to | \$27.71 | | | | | | | 01/03/20 | 06 | 01/03/2015 | Common | 5,0 | 000 | | 5,00 | 0 | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. 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.
- 2. The Phantom Stock Award vests in 1/3 increments on the first, second and third anniversary of the date of grant (2/25/09). Upon vesting, the Reporting Person will be issued that number of shares of Common stock of the Company.
- 3. The Restricted Stock Units vest in 1/3 increments on the first, second and third anniversary date of the date of grant (2/24/2010). Upon vesting, the Reporting Person will be issued that number of shares of the Common Stock of the Company.

Remarks:

Rachel A. Seifert, Attorney in Fact for H. Mitchell Watson

04/01/2010

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

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