STEELE JOHN M

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STEELE JOHN M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HCA INC/TN [(HCA)]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
ONE PARK P	LAZA		(Month/Day/Year) 02/04/2005	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP - Human Resources			
	(Street)		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) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly 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. Securi corr Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or	` '	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/04/2005		M	6,000	A	\$ 26.6248	28,674	D	
Common Stock	02/04/2005		S	6,000	D	\$ 45	22,674	D	
Common Stock							607	I	By 401(k)

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 (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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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 Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Share
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.6248	02/04/2005		M	6,000	04/22/2000	04/22/2005	Common Stock	6,0

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Other

STEELE JOHN M ONE PARK PLAZA

NASHVILLE, TN 37203

SVP - Human Resources

Signatures

By: /s/ John M. Franck II, Attorney-in-Fact

02/07/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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