APRIA HEALTHCARE GROUP INC

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10% Owner

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may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Starck Daniel J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

APRIA HEALTHCARE GROUP INC [AHG]

(Check all applicable)

EVP, Customer Services

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Director

C/O APRIA HEALTHCARE GROUP INC., 26220 ENTERPRISE COURT

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

03/07/2006

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

LAKE FOREST, CA 92630

(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. 8) (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) (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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitic (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.75	03/07/2006		A	20,000 (1)	03/07/2007(1)	03/06/2016	Common Stock	20,0
Restricted Stock Units (2)	\$ 0	03/07/2007		A	6,666 (3)	12/31/2008(3)	12/31/2008	Common Stock	6,66

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Starck Daniel J C/O APRIA HEALTHCARE GROUP INC. 26220 ENTERPRISE COURT LAKE FOREST, CA 92630

EVP, Customer Services

Signatures

Daniel J. Starck by Raoul Smyth, Attorney-In-Fact 03/09/2006

**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) This option was granted under the issuer's 2003 Performance Incentive Plan and vests in one initial installment of 6,666 shares on March 7, 2007 and two equal installments of 6,667 shares on March 7, 2008 and March 7, 2009.
- (2) The restricted stock units were granted under the issuer's 2003 Performance Incentive Plan. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock.
- This grant will vest and be paid on December 31, 2008. If certain pre-determined performance measures are achieved for the one-year period ending on December 31, 2006, up to an additional 6,667 shares will vest and be issued to the reporting person promptly following determination that the applicable performance goals have been met, and up to an additional 6,667 shares will vest and be issued on December 31, 2007.

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