HEIL JOHN Form 4 February 22, 2012

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **HEIL JOHN** Issuer Symbol VCA ANTECH INC [WOOF] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title C/O VCA ANTECH, INC., 12401 02/21/2012 below) WEST OLYMPIC BOULEVARD (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting LOS ANGELES, CA 90064

(City)	(State)	(Zlp) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative (Securi	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securiti for Disposo (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (· 1	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, par value \$0.001 per share	02/21/2012		M	10,000		\$ 7.48	23,194	D	
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	02/21/2012		S	5,870	D	\$ 22.238	17,324	D	

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 of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed o (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
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.48 (2)	02/21/2012		M	10,000	(3)	02/18/2013	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
HEIL JOHN C/O VCA ANTECH, INC. 12401 WEST OLYMPIC BOULEVARD LOS ANGELES, CA 90064	X					

Signatures

Tomas W. Fuller, as attorney-in-fact for John Heil

02/22/2012

**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).
- The transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$22.22 to \$22.25. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and the prices at which the transaction was effected.
- (2) All shares amounts and per share prices have been adjusted to reflect a 100% stock dividend paid on August 25, 2004.
- (3) The shares subject to this option became exercisable on February 18, 2004.

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