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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HELWIG DAVID S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

120 MONUMENT CIRCLE

(Street)

INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
WELLPOINT INC [WLP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/01/2004

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
EVP

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	12/01/2004		M		23,767 A \$ 55.1	152,170	D
Common Stock	12/01/2004		F		16,800 D \$ 101.33	135,370	D
Common Stock	12/01/2004		M		20,666 A \$ 51.21	156,036	D
Common Stock	12/01/2004		F		14,098 D \$ 101.33	141,938	D
Common Stock	12/01/2004		M		16,534 A \$ 34.92	158,472	D

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Common Stock	12/01/2004	F	9,572	D	\$ 101.33	148,900	D
Common Stock	12/01/2004	M	2,733	A	\$ 36.58	151,633	D
Common Stock	12/01/2004	F	986	D	\$ 101.33	150,647	D
Common Stock	12/01/2004	A	25,000	A	\$ 109.1	175,647	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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 Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 55.1	12/01/2004		M		23,767		02/05/2003	02/04/2013	Common Stock	23
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 101.33	12/01/2004		A		16,800		12/01/2004	02/04/2013	Common Stock	16
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 51.21	12/01/2004		M		20,666		02/07/2002	02/06/2012	Common Stock	20
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 101.33	12/01/2004		A		14,098		12/01/2004	02/06/2012	Common Stock	14

Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.92	12/01/2004	M	16,534	06/04/2001	06/03/2011	Common Stock	16
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 101.33	12/01/2004	A	9,572	12/01/2004	06/03/2011	Common Stock	9
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 36.58	12/01/2004	M	2,733	03/27/2001	03/26/2011	Common Stock	2
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 101.33	12/01/2004	A	986	12/01/2004	03/26/2011	Common Stock	9

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HELWIG DAVID S 120 MONUMENT CIRCLE INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204			EVP	

Signatures

Nancy L. Purcell
12/03/2004

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).

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