

MELLO JOSEPH C
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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 *
MELLO JOSEPH C

(Last) (First) (Middle)
601 HAWAII ST.

(Street)

EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
DAVITA INC [DVA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/16/2008

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)

Chief Operating Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 01/16/2008 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 600 | A | \$ 46 |
| Common Stock | 01/16/2008 | | S ⁽²⁾ | | 200 | D | \$ 57.73 |
| Common Stock | 01/16/2008 | | S ⁽²⁾ | | 200 | D | \$ 57.74 |
| Common Stock | 01/16/2008 | | S ⁽²⁾ | | 200 | D | \$ 57.79 |
| Common Stock | 01/16/2008 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 12,500 | A | \$ 49.7 |

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|--------------|------------|------------------|--------|---|----------|--------|---|
| Common Stock | 01/16/2008 | F | 10,762 | D | \$ 57.73 | 38,386 | D |
| Common Stock | 01/16/2008 | S ⁽²⁾ | 416 | D | \$ 57 | 37,970 | D |
| Common Stock | 01/16/2008 | S ⁽²⁾ | 322 | D | \$ 57.09 | 37,648 | D |
| Common Stock | 01/16/2008 | S ⁽²⁾ | 1,000 | D | \$ 57.1 | 36,648 | 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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 46 | 01/16/2008 | | M ⁽³⁾ | 600 | 03/30/2007 09/22/2010 | Common Stock | 600 |
| Stock Appreciation Right | \$ 49.7 | 01/16/2008 | | M ⁽³⁾ | 12,500 | 07/01/2007 07/01/2011 | Common Stock | 12,500 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MELLO JOSEPH C 601 HAWAII ST. EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245 | | | Chief Operating Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ Corinna B. Polk
Attorney-in-Fact

01/18/2008

__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) The acquisition of the shares was completed in accordance with a 10b5-1 Sales Plan.
- (2) The sale of these shares was completed in accordance with a 10b5-1 Sales Plan.
- (3) The exercise of this award was completed in accordance with a 10b5-1 Sales Plan.

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