

LUMSDAINE ALFRED
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FORM 4

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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 *
 LUMSDAINE ALFRED

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 701 COOL SPRINGS BLVD
 (Street)

FRANKLIN, TN 37067

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 HEALTHWAYS, INC [HWAY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/30/2008

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)
 SVP and Corporate Controller

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	392	I	Held in 401(k) Plan

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. 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Buy	\$ 31.76	12/30/2008		D	5,000	03/18/2009 03/18/2015	Common Stock	5,000
Option to Buy	\$ 43.44	12/30/2008		D	4,962	08/24/2009 08/24/2012	Common Stock	4,962
Option to Buy	\$ 42.69	12/30/2008		D	5,362	10/02/2010 10/02/2013	Common Stock	5,362
Option to Buy	\$ 55.01	12/30/2008		D	4,876	10/08/2011 10/08/2014	Common Stock	4,876

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LUMSDAINE ALFRED 701 COOL SPRINGS BLVD FRANKLIN, TN 37067			SVP and Corporate Controller	

Signatures

/s/ Alfred
Lumsdaine 01/02/2009

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) On December 30, 2008, the issuer cancelled, pursuant to the issuer's option purchase program, an option granted to the reporting person on March 18, 2005. In exchange for the option, the reporting person received \$5,850.
 - (2) On December 30, 2008, the issuer cancelled, pursuant to the issuer's option purchase program, an option granted to the reporting person on August 24, 2005. In exchange for the option, the reporting person received \$1,438.98.
 - (3) On December 30, 2008, the issuer cancelled, pursuant to the issuer's option purchase program, an option granted to the reporting person on October 2, 2006. In exchange for the option, the reporting person received \$2,627.38.
 - (4) On December 30, 2008, the issuer cancelled, pursuant to the issuer's option purchase program, an option granted to the reporting person on October 8, 2007. In exchange for the option, the reporting person received \$2,486.76.

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