

SIERRA HEALTH SERVICES INC
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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 *
 PALMER PAUL H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SIERRA HEALTH SERVICES INC [SIE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2724 N. TENAYA WAY
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/02/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Sr. V.P., CFO & Treasurer

LAS VEGAS, NV 89128

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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	11/02/2005		M		5,000	A	\$ 3.75	40,998	D	
Common Stock	11/02/2005		S		5,000	D	\$ 74.2854	35,998 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock	11/02/2005		M		2,000	A	\$ 12.61	37,998	D	
Common Stock	11/02/2005		S		2,000	D	\$ 74.2854	35,998	D	
Common Stock								741	I	By 401(k) Plan

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 3.75	11/02/2005		M	5,000	05/17/2001 ⁽³⁾ 05/16/2010	Common	5,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 12.61	11/02/2005		M	2,000	04/14/2004 ⁽⁴⁾ 04/13/2013	Common	2,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PALMER PAUL H 2724 N. TENAYA WAY LAS VEGAS, NV 89128			Sr. V.P., CFO & Treasurer	

Signatures

Paul H. Palmer/Jayne Primaky POA 11/03/2005

 **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) Includes 465 shares acquired in June 2005 under the Sierra Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) Exercise of options granted in consideration for services under the Company's 1995 Long-Term Incentive Plan, which meets the requirements of, and which transactions are exempted by, Rule 16b-3 and Rule 16b-6(b).
- (3) Exercisable as to 20% on each of 5/17/01, 5/17/02, 5/17/03, 5/17/04 and 5/17/05.
- (4) Exercisable as to 25% on each of 4/14/04, 4/14/05, 4/14/06 and 4/14/07.

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