PORTER BIGGS C

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person PORTER BIGGS C	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TENET HEALTHCARE CORP [THC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1445 ROSS AVENUE, SUITE 14	(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Financial Officer			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
DALLAS, TX 75202		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State) (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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock (1)	02/23/2012		A	31,703	A	\$0	406,988	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2012		F	8,386	D	\$ 5.62 (2)	398,602	D	
Common Stock (3)	02/23/2012		A	31,703	A	\$0	430,305	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2012		F	8,386	D	\$ 5.62 (2)	421,919	D	
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Common Stock

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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities Acquired (Instr. 8) (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 an	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
2011 February Performance-Based Restricted Units	(1)	02/23/2012		A	63,406		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock
2011 February Restricted Stock Units	<u>(3)</u>	02/23/2012		D		31,703	(3)	(3)	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PORTER BIGGS C 1445 ROSS AVENUE SUITE 1400 DALLAS, TX 75202

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Paul A. Castanon, Attorney-in-Fact for Biggs

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**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) (BP1) As previously reported, on February 23, 2011, the reporting person received a grant of 95,109 performance restricted units that were subject to the issuer's attainment of a specified one-year performance metric for the year then-ending December 31, 2011. The

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performance metric was met; therefore, these restricted units vest ratably on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant. The first anniversary of this grant occurred on February 23, 2012, resulting in the vesting and settlement of 31,703 shares of common stock, as shown in Table I. The remaining 63,406 performance restricted units, which are scheduled to vest in equal amounts on February 23, 2013 and 2014, are shown in Table II. Restricted units are settled in shares of the issuer's common stock upon vesting.

- (2) Shares withheld for payment of taxes upon vesting of restricted units in accordance with Rule 16b-3.
 - (BP3) As previously reported, on February 23, 2011, the reporting person received a grant of 95,109 restricted units that vest ratably on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant. The first anniversary of this grant occurred on February 23, 2012,
- (3) resulting in the vesting and settlement of 31,703 shares of common stock as shown in Table I and Table II. The remaining 63,406 restricted units, as shown in Table II, are scheduled to vest in equal amounts on February 23, 2013 and 2014. Restricted units are settled in shares of the issuer's common stock upon vesting.

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