TENET HEALTHCARE CORP Form SC TO-C May 26, 2005

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO

TENDER OFFER STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(d)(1) OR 13(e)(1) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Tenet Healthcare Corporation

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer) and Filing Person (Offeror))

Options to Purchase Common Stock, Par Value \$0.05 Per Share, of Tenet Healthcare Corporation, Having an Exercise Price of \$15.22 Per Share or Higher

(Title of Class of Securities)

88033G100

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities (Underlying Common Stock))

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Not Applicable*

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This Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO is being filed by Tenet Healthcare Corporation, a Nevada corporation, pursuant to General Instruction D to Schedule TO.

Item 12. Exhibits.

(a)(5)(A) Memorandum distributed to Tenet Stock Option Holders announcing approval of the Option Exchange Program by Tenet Stockholders, dated May 26, 2005.

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