COLBY DAVID C Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SECURITIES

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Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * COLBY DAVID C	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle)	WELLPOINT INC [WLP] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
120 MONUMENT CIRCLE	(Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2006	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP & CFO		
(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		
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	Tabl	le I - Non-D	Perivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securit	ies Ac	quired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or Dis	sposed	of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4	and 5	5)	Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	(D) or	Ownership
							Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported	(Instr. 4)	
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common	03/01/2006		A	12,500	A	\$	354,318 <u>(2)</u>	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)

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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 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Num Shar
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 76.59	03/01/2006		A	100,000	03/01/2007(3)	03/01/2016	Common Stock	100

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
rg	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
COLBY DAVID C							
120 MONUMENT CIRCLE			EVP & CFO				
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204							

Signatures

Nancy Purcell,

Attorney-in-fact 03/03/2006

**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) Represents restricted shares. Restrictions lapse in three annual installments on March 1, 2007, March 1, 2008 and March 1, 2009.
- (2) Includes 112,644 shares previously reported as trust holdings that have been moved to direct holdings.
- (3) Exercisable in six semi-annual installments on September 1, 2006, March 1, 2007, September 1, 2007, March 1, 2008, September 1, 2008 and March 1, 2009.

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