

CROSS COUNTRY HEALTHCARE INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
HENSEL EMIL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CROSS COUNTRY HEALTHCARE INC [CCRN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2538 NW 64TH BLVD.
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/14/2008

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Chief Financial Officer

BOCA RATON, FL 33496

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 08/14/2008 | | M | | 3,000 | A | \$ 11.62 |
| Common Stock | 08/14/2008 | | S | | 3,000 | D | \$ 16.69 |
| Common Stock | 08/15/2008 | | M | | 2,000 | A | \$ 11.62 |
| Common Stock | 08/15/2008 | | S | | 2,000 | D | \$ 17.01 |
| Common Stock | | | | | 131,502 ⁽¹⁾ | I | |

By Wife

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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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 11.62 | 08/14/2008 | | M | 3,000 | (2) 12/16/2009 | Common Stock | 3,000 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 11.62 | 08/15/2008 | | M | 2,000 | (2) 12/16/2009 | Common Stock | 2,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HENSEL EMIL 2538 NW 64TH BLVD. BOCA RATON, FL 33496 | X | | Chief Financial Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ Emil Hensel 08/18/2008
 **Signature of Date
 Reporting Person

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).

Mr. Hensel's wife holds 131,502 shares. In addition to the shares listed in Column 5 of Table I, 16,543 shares are held by each of his two sons and 17,032 shares are held by his daughter. Mr. Hensel's children are adults and as a result he disclaims beneficial ownership to these shares.

(2) The options exercised are fully vested.

(3) Following the option exercise now reported in row 1 and row 2 of Table II, Mr. Hensel has 53,953 options that expire December 16, 2009 to purchase Common Stock of the Company at an exercise price of \$11.62 per share.

(4) In addition, Mr. Hensel has 236,602 options to purchase Common Stock of the Company with different exercise prices from the options reported in Table II.

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