

Bush John Ellis  
Form 4  
January 07, 2009

**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Bush John Ellis

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)  
13737 NOEL ROAD  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/06/2009

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

DALLAS, TX 75240

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

(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	01/06/2009		M		54,677	A	69,677
							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 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. Pr Deriv Secu (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Units <sup>(2)</sup>	<u>(1)</u>	01/06/2009		M	54,677	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	54,677	0
2007 April Director Stock Units <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 0 <u>(5)</u>					<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	34,667	
2007 May Director Stock Units <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 0 <u>(6)</u>					<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	18,651	
2008 May Director Stock Units <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 0 <u>(6)</u>					<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	22,807	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Bush John Ellis 13737 NOEL ROAD DALLAS, TX 75240	X			

## Signatures

By: Kristina A. Mack,  
Attorney-in-fact for

01/07/2009

\_\_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) The conversion rate is one share of common stock for each Stock Unit.

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- (2) These Stock Units were accrued under the Company's 2006 Deferred Compensation Plan.
- These Stock Units are settled in shares of the Company's common stock in accordance with the Company's 2006 Deferred Compensation Plan. Pursuant to applicable transition rules under Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code, the reporting person
- (3) elected, on or before December 12, 2008, to receive, on January 6, 2009, all of his Stock Units under the Company's 2006 Deferred Compensation Plan in the form of common stock.
- (4) These Stock Units were awarded under the Company's Stock Incentive Plan.
- These Stock Units vest ratably on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant or become fully vested upon
- (5) termination of service, whichever occurs first, and are settled in shares of the Company's common stock only upon termination of service.
- These Stock Units vest ratably on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant or become fully vested upon
- (6) termination of service, whichever occurs first, and are settled in shares of the Company's common stock on the date they become fully vested, unless settlement has been deferred in accordance with the Company's Stock Incentive Plan.

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