SANKARAN DAVID M

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SANKARAN DAVID M Issuer Symbol NightHawk Radiology Holdings Inc (Check all applicable) [NHWK] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 601 FRONT AVENUE, SUITE 502 08/10/2009 Chief Financial Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83814

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

(City)	(State)	Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	luired, Disposed (of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securiti	es Aco	quired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction(A) or Disposed of			Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock (1)	08/10/2009		A	25,000 (1)	A	\$0	46,562 (2)	D	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 4.9	08/10/2009		A	90,000	(3)	08/10/2019	Common Stock	90,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SANKARAN DAVID M 601 FRONT AVENUE SUITE 502 COEUR D'ALENE, ID 83814

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

Paul E. Cartee, Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Da

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).
- The shares indicated in Table I are subject to a Restricted Stock Unit grant representing a contingent right to receive shares of NHWK
- (1) Common Stock upon vesting. The shares will become vested as to 1/4 of the total shares on each of the four anniversaries following the grant date.
- 16,500 of the shares indicated above are subject to a restricted stock unit grant that was originally reported as part of a 25,000 RSU grant (2) in Table II on a Form 4 filed May 21, 2008. 5,062 of the shares listed above are held directly by the reporting person as a result of the vesting of 8,500 shares of the original RSU grant and the withholding of 3,438 shares for taxes.
- (3) The option will become exercisable as to 1/24 of the total shares monthly, with the option being fully vested on May 19, 2011.

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