

INVACARE CORP  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â LaPlaca Anthony</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>ONE INVACARE WAY</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>ELYRIA, Â OH Â 44035</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>01/01/2009</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>INVACARE CORP [IVC]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p>___ Director ___ 10% Owner  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer ___ Other                  (give title below) (specify below)                  Sr. VP and General Counsel</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person                  ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Shares	3,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable      Expiration Date	Title      Amount or Number of			

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	09/30/2009	10/27/2018	Common Shares	5,000	\$ 16.55	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	09/30/2010	10/27/2018	Common Shares	5,000	\$ 16.55	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	09/30/2011	10/27/2018	Common Shares	5,000	\$ 16.55	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	09/30/2012	10/27/2018	Common Shares	5,000	\$ 16.55	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LaPlaca Anthony ONE INVACARE WAY ELYRIA, OH 44035	Â	Â	Â Sr. VP and General Counsel	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Anthony C.  
LaPlaca

01/05/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person                      Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Restricted shares granted pursuant to the Invacare Corporation 2003 Performance Plan in an exempt transaction under Rule 16b-3. These shares vest in 25% increments over four years commencing November 15, 2009.

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