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COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC Form 4 March 01, 2011 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 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 CASH W LARRY Issuer Symbol COMMUNITY HEALTH (Check all applicable) SYSTEMS INC [CYH] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) below) **4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD** 02/25/2011 Executive VP and CFO (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 FRANKLIN, TN 37067 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) anv Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Owned (Instr. 8) (D) or Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common S 02/25/2011 F 13,817 D 414,601 D 39.95 Stock Common 02/27/2011 02/28/2011 F 8,290 D D 406,311 39.95 Stock

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)	A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	of	ative ties red sed 3,	;	te	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Based Restricted	\$ 0						(1)	(1)	Common Stock	80,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.3						05/22/2004	05/22/2013	Common Stock	20,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.37						02/28/2006	02/28/2013	Common Stock	65,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.3						03/01/2007	03/01/2014	Common Stock	50,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.21						02/28/2008	02/28/2015	Common Stock	60,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.41						07/25/2008	07/24/2015	Common Stock	200,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.28						02/27/2009	02/26/2018	Common Stock	60,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.18						02/25/2010	02/24/2019	Common Stock	20,000

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Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.9	02/24/2011	02/23/2020	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.96	02/23/2012	02/22/2021	Common Stock	25,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting o when reamer readers	Director 10% Owner		Officer	Other			
CASH W LARRY 4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD FRANKLIN, TN 37067	Х		Executive VP and CFO				
Signatures							
Christopher G. Cobb, Attorney in I Cash	03/01/2011						
**Signature of Reporting Per	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).

Each performance based restricted share represents a contingent right to receive one share of CYH common stock. There are two elements to the lapsing of the restriction; first, the Company must achieve specified targeted amount of earnings per share from

(1) continuing operations, or net revenue from continuing operations, and if the performance objective is met, the vesting restrictions will lapse in 1/3 increments on the first, second and third anniversary of the date of grant. If the objectives are not met, the shares will be forfeited.

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