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OMB APPROVAL 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 WALTER ROBERT D Issuer Symbol CARDINAL HEALTH INC [CAH] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 7000 CARDINAL PLACE 11/09/2004 below) below) Chairman and CEO (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 **DUBLIN, OH 43017** 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 (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transactionor Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Direct (D) Ownership (Instr. 8) Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code Amount (D) Price Common 11/09/2004 G V 1,142 D (1) $1,761,116 \stackrel{(2)}{=} D$ **Shares** Common 136,115 11/11/2004 1,897,231 D M (3) **Shares** Common 69,716 F

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1,827,515

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Common Shares	679,070	I	By GRAT VIII
Common Shares	419,110	I	By GRAT IX
Common Shares	500,000	I	By LLC (4)
Common Shares	700,000	I	By GRAT X

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	orDeri Secu Acq Disp	umber of vative urities uired (A) or cosed of (D) cr. 3, 4, and	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 of Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) (5)	\$ 14.667	11/11/2004		M		136,115	03/06/1998	03/06/2005	Common Shares	136,11
Option (right to buy) (6)	\$ 17.74						03/04/1999	03/04/2006	Common Shares	89,20
Option (right to buy) (6)	\$ 27.053						03/03/2000	03/03/2007	Common Shares	100,40
Option (right to buy) (6)	\$ 27.14						07/21/2000	07/21/2007	Common Shares	45,00
Option (right to buy) (6)	\$ 36.307						03/02/2001	03/02/2008	Common Shares	96,40
Option (right to buy) (6)	\$ 43.14						08/11/2001	08/11/2008	Common Shares	135,00

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Option (right to buy) (6)	\$ 47.333	03/01/2002	03/01/2009	Common Shares	187,50
Option (right to buy) (6)	\$ 31.167	<u>(7)</u>	11/15/2009	Common Shares	1,425,0
Option (right to buy) (6)	\$ 66.083	11/20/2003	11/20/2010	Common Shares	272,38
Option (right to buy) (6)	\$ 68.1	01/15/2006	11/19/2011	Common Shares	440,52
Option (right to buy) (6)	\$ 67.9	11/18/2005	11/18/2012	Common Shares	486,00
Option (right to buy) (6)	\$ 61.38	11/17/2006	11/17/2013	Common Shares	507,08
Option (right to buy) (6) (8)	\$ 44.15	08/23/2007	08/23/2014	Common Shares	562,50

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
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WALTER ROBERT D 7000 CARDINAL PLACE DUBLIN, OH 43017	X		Chairman and CEO			

Signatures

Robert D.
Walter

**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) Bona fide gifts.
- (2) 80,890 of these shares were previously reported as indirectly beneficially owned through GRAT IX, and were subsequently transferred to direct beneficial ownership on November 9, 2004.
- (3) The Reporting Person exercised 136,115 stock options granted on March 6, 1995. Such stock options would have expired on March 6, 2005, if not exercised. In light of the expiration date, the Reporting Person exercised all such options and delivered to the Company a

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total of 69,716 previously owned mature shares as payment of grant price and taxes. The Reporting Person currently intends to hold all such 136,115 exercised shares.

- (4) Reporting person holds the controlling interest in, and is the sole manager of, the LLC.
- (5) Stock option granted pursuant to the Cardinal Health, Inc. Stock Incentive Plan.
- (6) Stock option granted pursuant to the Cardinal Health, Inc. Equity Incentive Plan.
 - Stock option vested in three equal annual installments beginning on 11/15/00. The Company recently identified an issue with respect to this award granted in November 1999, and stated in its Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004 that the option award was in
- (7) excess of that permitted to be granted to a single individual during any fiscal year under the Company's Equity Incentive Plan, and that the Compensation Committee is currently exploring alternatives to substitute the remaining portion of the stock option granted to the reporting person in excess of the 562,500 shares with equivalent value.
- (8) Stock option granted pursuant to the reporting person's Employment Agreement with Cardinal Health dated November 20, 2001, as amended and restated as of February 1, 2004 (the "Employment Agreement").

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