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(2)

40,000 (4)

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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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transac		5. Numb	er	6. Date Exer Expiration D	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S		8. Pri Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8		of Deriva	ative	(Month/Day/	Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)	Secur (Instr
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						of (D) (Instr.						
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				Code	V	(A) ((D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (5)	\$ 40							<u>(6)</u>	01/07/2027	Common	110,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
reporting owner runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Patel Paresh 5300 W. CYPRESS STREET SUITE 100 TAMPA, FL 33607	X		Chief Executive Officer					

Signatures

/s/ Andrew L. Graham as Attorney-in-fact for Paresh
Patel 09/21/2017

**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) Restricted stock grant of 400,000 shares effective 5/16/2013: the Issuer cancelled effective 3/2/2016 a 100,000 share tranche of this grant that was to have vested one year after the closing price of HCI common shares equaled or exceeded \$50 per share for 20 consecutive trading days. Of the award's 300,000 remaining shares, 100,000 have previously vested, 100,000 shares will vest one year after the closing price of HCI common shares equals or exceeds \$65 per share for 20 consecutive trading days, and 100,000 will vest one year after the closing price of HCI common shares equals or exceeds \$80 per share for 20 consecutive trading days. All shares for which restrictions

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have not lapsed 6 years and one day from the grant date will be forfeited. These shares were granted by the Company pursuant to the Company's 2012 Omnibus Incentive Plan and under the terms and conditions of a restricted stock agreement dated 5/16/2013.

- The reported price in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$35.99 to \$36.12 per share, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- (3) Shares held jointly with spouse.
 - Restricted stock grant of 40,000 shares effective January 7, 2017: Restrictions on 10,000 shares will lapse on each of January 7, 2018,
- (4) January 7, 2019, January 7, 2020, and January 7, 2021. These shares were granted by the Company pursuant to the Company's 2012 Omnibus Incentive Plan and under the terms and conditions of a restricted stock award contract dated January 7, 2017.
- (5) The options were granted pursuant to the HCI Group, Inc. 2012 Omnibus Incentive Plan.
- The options were granted on January 7, 2017 at an exercise price of \$40.00 per share, in excess of the \$39.71 market value. Commencing on January 7, 2018 and continuing on the same day of each calendar year thereafter through and including January 7, 2021, the amount of 27,500 actions will used and become avariable on each such approximately the provided the provided of any time.
- 27,500 options will vest and become exercisable on each such annual vesting date. Once vested, the options may be exercised at any time up to and including January 7, 2027.

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