

PETTINGILL RICHARD  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**PETTINGILL RICHARD**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**TENET HEALTHCARE CORP  
[THC]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**1445 ROSS AVENUE, SUITE 1400**  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/11/2010**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

**DALLAS, TX 75202**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)			
Common Stock	05/11/2010		M <sup>(1)</sup>		18,651	A	\$ 0 69,520	D	

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)**

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
2007 May Director Stock Units	(2)	05/11/2010		M	18,651	(3) (3)	Common Stock	18,651

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PETTINGILL RICHARD 1445 ROSS AVENUE SUITE 1400 DALLAS, TX 75202	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey S. McFall, Attorney-in-fact for Richard R. Pettingill  
 Date: 08/13/2010

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) Scheduled conversion of previously reported 2007 May Director Stock Units into an equivalent number of shares of the Company's common stock on the third anniversary of the date of grant in accordance with the terms of the Company's 2001 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2) Each Stock Unit is the economic equivalent of one share of the Company's common stock.
- (3) The 2007 May Director Stock Units vested ratably on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant. The Stock Units were settled on the third anniversary of the date of grant. Under the terms of the grant, each Stock Unit was converted on the settlement date into one share of the Company's common stock.

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