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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Kirby Thomas D			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			HCP, INC. [HCP]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
3760 KILROY AIRPORT WAY, SUITE 300		T WAY,	08/10/2009	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice President		
(Street) LONG BEACH, CA 90806			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acquii	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of	` ′	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/10/2009		M	15,050	A	\$ 11.9375	69,567	D	
Common Stock	08/10/2009		S	15,050	D	\$ 27.58 (1)	54,517	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)

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)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 11.9375	08/10/2009		M	15,050	(2)	01/04/2010	Common Stock	15,050

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Kirby Thomas D 3760 KILROY AIRPORT WAY, SUITE 300 LONG BEACH, CA 90806

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Eric J. Stambol, Power of Attorney for Thomas D.

Kirby

08/12/2009

**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) Represents the average sale price ranging from \$27.35 to \$27.80.
- (2) Shares vest annually at a rate of 20% per year commencing on the first anniversary of the January 4, 2000 grant date.

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