DIAZ PAUL J Form 4 May 23, 2011

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DIAZ PAUL J | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DAVITA INC [DVA] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | |
|---|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Chook an approvation) | | |
| | (Month/Day/Year) | X Director 10% Owner | | |
| C/O DAVITA INC., 1551 WEWATTA ST. | 05/19/2011 | Officer (give title Other (specify below) | | |
| (Street) | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Chec | | |
| DENVER, CO 80202 | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reportin Person | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - Non- | Derivative | Secur | rities Acquir | red, Disposed of, | or Beneficially | y 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 (Instr. 8) | 4. Securit for Dispos (Instr. 3, 4 | ed of (| | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | Code V | Amount | (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 05/19/2011 | | M | 11,250 | A | \$ 52.94 | 14,407 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/19/2011 | | S | 11,250 | D | \$ 86.6356 (1) | 3,157 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/19/2011 | | M | 12,000 | A | \$ 45.84 | 15,157 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/19/2011 | | F | 6,349 | D | \$ 86.65 | 8,808 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/19/2011 | | S | 5,651 | D | \$ 86.7649 | 3,157 | D | |

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(2) \$

Common

05/19/2011 S 86.6985 866 2,291 D D Stock

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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 Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---|----------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | An or Nu of |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 52.94 | 05/19/2011 | | M | 11,250 | 07/31/2008(4) | 07/31/2012 | Common Stock | 1 |
| Stock Appreciation Right | \$ 45.84 | 05/19/2011 | | M | 12,000 | 06/15/2010(5) | 06/15/2014 | Common Stock | 12 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| reporting owner runner runners | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| DIAZ PAUL J | | | | | | | |
| C/O DAVITA INC. | X | | | | | | |
| 1551 WEWATTA ST. | Λ | | | | | | |
| DENVER, CO 80202 | | | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Kim M. Rivera 05/23/2011 Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) The range of prices for the sale of these shares was \$86.53 \$86.70. The filer undertakes to provide staff, the issuer, or a security holder, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2) The range of prices for the sale of these shares was \$86.70 \$86.79. The filer undertakes to provide staff, the issuer, or a security holder, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) The range of prices for the sale of these shares was \$86.65 \$86.87. The filer undertakes to provide staff, the issuer, or a security holder, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (4) Non-qualified stock options, pursuant to the 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, which vest 25% on the first four anniversaries of the grant date.
- (5) Stock Appreciation Right, pursuant to the 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, which vest 100% on the first anniversary of the grant date. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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