

BAER RICHARD N
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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 *
BAER RICHARD N

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC
[UNH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O UNITEDHEALTH
GROUP, 9900 BREN ROAD EAST

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/02/2011

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP & Chief Legal Officer

MINNETONKA, MN 55343

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 (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/02/2011		A	(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price A 42,600 (1) \$ 0	42,600 (2)	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 46.98	08/02/2011		A	63,800	(3) 08/02/2021	Common Stock	63,800

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BAER RICHARD N C/O UNITEDHEALTH GROUP 9900 BREN ROAD EAST MINNETONKA, MN 55343			EVP & Chief Legal Officer	

Signatures

Dannette L. Smith, Attorney-in-Fact for Richard N. Baer	08/04/2011
**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) The restricted stock units will vest at a rate of 25% annually on August 2 from the years 2012 through 2015.
Amount does not include performance-based restricted stock units granted to the executive officer on August 2, 2011, as performance awards not tied to stock price are not derivative securities for purposes of Section 16 under guidance from the staff of the SEC. The number of performance-based restricted stock units that the executive officer will receive will be determined at the end of the 3-year performance period (January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2013) and will be dependent upon the achievement of cumulative 3-year EPS and average return-on-equity performance metrics previously approved by the Compensation and Human Resources Committee. The target number of performance-based restricted stock units is 21,300.
- (3) The stock options vest at a rate of 25% annually on August 2 from the years 2012 through 2015.

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