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# FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

**HOWARD LARRY S** 

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

			SIERRA HEALTH SERVICES INC [SIE]				S INC	(Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)			Director 10% Owner Softicer (give title Other (specify below)						
2/24 N. IE	NAYA WAY		12/12/2	005					Sr. V.P., Program Office			
LACVECA	(Street)		4. If Ame Filed(Mor		nent, Date Original Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
LAS VEGA	S, NV 89128								Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-	-De	rivative S	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Execution any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	tion )	4. Securit (A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 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)		
Common Stock	12/12/2005			Code V		Amount 4,166	(D)	Price \$ 11.65	10,288	D		
Common Stock	12/12/2005			S <u>(1)</u>		4,166	D	\$ 80	6,122	D		
Common Stock									4,371	I	By 401(k) Plan	
Common Stock									299	I	By wife	

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) (2)	\$ 11.65	12/12/2005		M	4,166	12/10/2003(3)	12/09/2012	Common	4,166

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Maine / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HOWARD LARRY S 2724 N. TENAYA WAY LAS VEGAS, NV 89128

Sr. V.P., Program Office

#### **Signatures**

Larry S. Howard/Jayne Primaky POA

12/13/2005

\*\*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) Sale under Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plan.
- (2) Exercise of options granted in consideration for services under the Company's 1995 Long-Term Incentive Plan, which meets the requirements of, and which transactions are exempted by, Rule 16b-3 and Rule 16b-6(b).
- (3) Exercisable as to 33 1/3% on each of 12/10/03, 12/10/04 and 12/10/05.

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