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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person **Goulet Kenneth R	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WELLPOINT INC [WLP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Sheek all applicable)			
120 MONUMENT CIRCLE	(Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2009	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Pres & CEO Comm and EVP			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
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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. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	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	03/02/2009		F <u>(1)</u>	842	D	\$ 30.1	9,741	D	
Common Stock	03/02/2009		A	33,223 (2)	A	\$0	42,964	D	
Common Stock							15,855 <u>(3)</u>	I	Stock units held in 401(k) plan

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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, a 5)	A) or (D)	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.1	03/02/2009		A	138,426		<u>(4)</u>	03/02/2016	Common Stock	138,42

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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120 MONUMENT CIRCLE INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204

Pres & CEO Comm and EVP

Signatures

Kathleen S. Kiefer,

Attorney-in-fact 03/04/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person D

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) Payment of tax liability by withholding stock incident to the vesting of previously granted restricted stock.
- (2) Represents restricted share units. Restrictions lapse on 11,074 shares each on 3/2/10 and 3/2/11, and 11,075 shares on 3/2/12.
- (3) The information in this report is based on the plan trustees calculation of units held, as of January 30, 2009.
- (4) Exercisable in six installments of 23,071 each on 9/2/09, 3/2/10, 9/2/10, 3/2/11, 9/2/11 and 3/2/12.

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