FLAHERTY JAMES F III

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FLAHERTY JAMES F III | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | |
|--|-----------|---|---|--|--|
| | e: 1 11 \ | HCP, INC. [HCP] | (Check all applicable) | | |
| (Last) (First) (M | Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | | | |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | X Director 10% Owner | | |
| 3760 KILROY AIRPORT W. SUITE 300 | AY, | 01/11/2012 | X Officer (give titleX Other (specify below) below) President & CEO / Chairman | | |
| (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | |
| LONG REACH CA 90806 | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting | | |

Person

LONG BEACH, CA 90806

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tal | ole I - Non- | -Derivative | Securi | ities Acquire | ed, Disposed of, o | 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. Securities Acquired (A) or or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price | | | 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 | 12/20/2011 | | G | 25,368 | (D) | \$ 0 | 1,026,134 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/11/2012 | | S <u>(1)</u> | 9,400 | D | \$ 40.8589 (2) | 1,016,734 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/11/2012 | | M | 290,600 | A | \$ 27.52 | 1,307,334 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/11/2012 | | S <u>(1)</u> | 290,600 | D | \$ 40.8306 (3) | 1,016,734 | D | |
| | 01/12/2012 | | S(1) | 9,400 | D | | 1,007,334 | D | |

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| Common Stock | | | | | \$ 40.5009 (4) | | |
|-----------------|------------|--------------|---------|---|----------------------|-----------|---|
| Common Stock | 01/12/2012 | M | 209,400 | A | \$ 27.52 | 1,216,734 | D |
| Common Stock | 01/12/2012 | M | 81,200 | A | \$ 25.52 | 1,297,934 | D |
| Common Stock | 01/12/2012 | S <u>(1)</u> | 290,600 | D | \$ 40.5003 (5) | 1,007,334 | 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) | orDeri Secu Acqı Disp | umber of vative urities uired (A) or posed of (D) ar. 3, 4, and | 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 Number Shares |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 27.52 | 01/11/2012 | | M | | 290,600 | <u>(6)</u> | 03/15/2014 | Common Stock | 290,60 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 27.52 | 01/12/2012 | | M | | 209,400 | <u>(6)</u> | 03/15/2014 | Common Stock | 209,40 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 25.52 | 01/12/2012 | | M | | 81,200 | <u>(6)</u> | 01/28/2015 | Common Stock | 81,200 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|--|-----------------|----------|--|--|--|
| | Director 10% Owner | | Officer | Other | | | |
| FLAHERTY JAMES F III | | | | | | | |
| 3760 KILROY AIRPORT WAY, SUITE 300 | X | | President & CEO | Chairman | | | |
| LONG BEACH, CA 90806 | | | | | | | |

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Signatures

Eric J. Stambol, Power of Attorney for James F. Flaherty III

01/12/2012

**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 reported stock sale was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on June 1, 2011.
- (2) Represents the average sale price ranging from \$40.72 to \$41.095.
- (3) Represents the average sale price ranging from \$40.67 to \$41.10.
- (4) Represents the average sale price ranging from \$40.29 to \$40.82.
- (5) Represents the average sale price ranging from \$40.30 to \$40.94.
- (6) Shares vest 20% annually beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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