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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

CASH W LARRY

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS INC [CYH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title

below)

Other (specify

4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD

(Street)

08/21/2014

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

President and CFO

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

FRANKLIN, TN 37067

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	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) coror Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price		(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	08/21/2014		M	60,000	A		356,957	D	
Common Stock	08/21/2014		S	51,472	D	\$ 51.019 (1)	305,485	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orDeriv Secu Acqu or Di (D)	rities nired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,	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 Nu Sh
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.21	08/21/2014		M		60,000	02/28/2008	02/27/2015	Common Stock	6
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.41						07/25/2008	07/24/2015	Common Stock	20
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.28						02/27/2009	02/26/2018	Common Stock	6
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.18						02/25/2010	02/24/2019	Common Stock	2
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.9						02/24/2011	02/23/2020	Common Stock	2
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.96						02/23/2012	02/22/2021	Common Stock	2
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.07						02/16/2013	02/15/2022	Common Stock	2
Performance Based Restricted	\$ 0						03/01/2015(2)	02/29/2024	Common Stock	7
Performance Based Restricted	\$ 0						03/01/2015(3)	02/29/2024	Common Stock	15

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CASH W LARRY 4000 MERIDIAN BOULEVARD FRANKLIN, TN 37067	X		President and CFO				
Signatures							
Christopher G. Cobb, Attorney in Fa	08/21/2014						
**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 shares were sold in a series of transactions at a weighted average price of \$51.019 per share.
 - Each performance based restricted share represents a contingent right to receive one share of CYH common stock. There are two elements to the lapsing of the restriction; first, the Company must achieve specified targeted amount of earnings per share from
- (2) continuing operations, or net revenue from continuing operations, and if the performance objective is met, the vesting restrictions will lapse in 1/3 increments on the first, second and third anniversary of the date of grant. If the objectives are not met, the shares will be forfeited.
- Each performance based restricted share represents a contingent right to receive one share of CYH common stock. The lapsing of the restrictions is dependent on the Company meeting certain cost savings ("synergies") from the Health Management Associates, Inc. merger transaction. The performance target may be met in part in the first year or in whole or in part over the first two years. There is also a time vesting element to the maximum targets of the award. If the objectives are not met, the shares will be forfeited.

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