HEALTH CARE REIT INC /DE/

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HERMAN CHARLES J JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HEALTH CARE REIT INC /DE/ [HCN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE SEAGATE, SUITE 1500		,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2007	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP & Chief Investment Officer			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
TOLEDO, OH 43604				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acquir	red, 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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price			(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)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/02/2007		M	10,500	A	\$ 24.42	37,823	D		
Common Stock	03/02/2007		M	5,879	A	\$ 25.82	43,702	D		
Common Stock	03/02/2007		S	16,379	D	\$ 44.0447	27,323	D		
Common Stock	03/06/2007		J <u>(1)</u> V	5,146	D	\$ 0	22,177	D		
Common Stock	03/06/2007		J(1) V	5,146	A	\$ 0	19,590	I	LLC (1)	

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

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

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5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and

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7. Title and Amount of

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		curities (Month/Day/Year) quired (A) Disposed of) str. 3, 4,		Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shar
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.42	03/02/2007		M		10,500	12/15/2006(2)	12/12/2011	Common	10,50 (2)
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.82	03/02/2007		M		5,879	01/15/2007(4)	01/27/2013	Common	11,75 (4)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HERMAN CHARLES J JR ONE SEAGATE, SUITE 1500 TOLEDO, OH 43604

EVP & Chief Investment Officer

Signatures

1. Title of 2.

By: Erin C. Ibele Attorney-in-Fact For: Charles J.
Herman, Jr.
03/06/2007

**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 are held by an Ohio limited liability company for which the reporting person is the sole manager and, as trustee for a revocable trust of the reporting person, the sole member.

Options for the purchase of 52,500 shares of common stock at \$24.42 per share were granted to Mr. Herman on December 12, 2001, which grant has previously been reported. The partial exercise of these options for the purchase of 42,000 shares has previously been reported. Of the remaining options, options for the purchase of 10,500 shares vested on December 15, 2006.

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- (3) The options were granted under the Health Care REIT, Inc. 1995 Stock Incentive Plan and had no acquisition price.
 - Options for the purchase of 29,397 shares of common stock at \$25.82 per share were granted to Mr. Herman on January 27, 2003, which
- grant has previously been reported. The partial exercise of these options for the purchase of 17,639 shares has previously been reported. Of the remaining options, options for the purchase of 5,879 shares vested on January 15, 2007, and options for the purchase of 5,879 shares will vest on January 15, 2008.

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