

PONDER RONALD J  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
PONDER RONALD J

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
120 MONUMENT CIRCLE  
(Street)

INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
WELLPOINT INC [WLP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/18/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	11/18/2005		M		\$ 13,333 63.36	68,646	D
Common Stock	11/18/2005		M		\$ 26,454 41.03	95,100	D
Common Stock	11/18/2005		M		\$ 39,270 27.55	134,370	D
Common Stock	11/18/2005		M		\$ 30,126 33.98	164,496	D
Common Stock	11/18/2005		M		\$ 2,940 33.98	167,436	D

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Common Stock	11/18/2005	S	400	D	\$ 77.04	167,036	D
Common Stock	11/18/2005	S	500	D	\$ 77.03	166,536	D
Common Stock	11/18/2005	S	111,223	D	\$ 77	55,313	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 63.36	11/18/2005		M	13,333	10/04/2005	04/04/2015	Common Stock	13,333
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 41.03	11/18/2005		M	26,454	07/26/2004	01/25/2014	Common Stock	26,454
Employee Stock Option	\$ 27.55	11/18/2005		M	39,270	08/05/2003	02/04/2013	Common Stock	39,270
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.98	11/18/2005		M	30,126	12/24/2002	06/23/2012	Common Stock	30,126
Employee Stock	\$ 33.98	11/18/2005		M	2,940	12/24/2002	06/23/2012	Common Stock	2,940

Option  
(Right to  
Buy)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PONDER RONALD J 120 MONUMENT CIRCLE INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204			EVP	

## Signatures

Nancy L. Purcell, Attorney-in-fact	11/22/2005
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\_\_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).

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