

SHELTON GENERAL HENRY HUGH  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 SHELTON GENERAL HENRY HUGH

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O RED HAT, INC., 1801 VARSITY DRIVE

(Street)

RALEIGH, NC 27606

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 RED HAT INC [RHT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/28/2009

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 09/28/2009                           |  | M                              | 20,000  | A \$ 6.15   | 46,057   | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 09/28/2009                           |  | S                              | 20,000  | D \$ 27.61  | 26,057   | 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) |              |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option NQSO (Right to Buy)  | \$ 6.15  | 09/28/2009                           |  | M                              | 20,000  | (2) 04/23/2013   |   | Common Stock | 20,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SHELTON GENERAL HENRY HUGH<br>C/O RED HAT, INC.<br>1801 VARSITY DRIVE<br>RALEIGH, NC 27606 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Kimberly Yule, Atty in fact  
UPOA 09/29/2009

\*\*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) Represents the weighted average sale price per share. The shares were sold at prices ranging from \$27.56-\$27.65 per share. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price shall be provided upon request to the Staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer.
  - (2) This stock option is exercisable 33-1/3% on the first anniversary date of the date of grant and 8.33% on the first day of each subsequent three-month period following one year from the date of grant (the vesting start date).

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