DAVITA INC Form 4 July 05, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

obligations may continue. See Instruction

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(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Riopelle Christopher J

(First) (Middle)

601 HAWAII STREET

EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

DAVITA INC [DVA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title below) below)

Chief Compliance Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Person

(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(A)

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

(State)

(Street)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership Form: Direct (I) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,

Code V

(A)

and 5)

(D) Date Exercisable Expiration Title

Date

Stock

Appreciation Right

\$49.7 07/01/2006 A 20,000 07/01/2007(1) 07/01/2011

Common Stock

Aı

or Nı of

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

Riopelle Christopher J **601 HAWAII STREET** EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245

Chief Compliance Officer

Signatures

/s/ Corinna B. Polk Attorney-in-Fact

07/05/2006

**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).
- Stock Appreciation Right, granted under the 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, which vests 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date, 8.33% on the 20th month, and 8.33% every 4 months thereafter until 100% vested.

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