Ruff Gary K. Form 4 November 16, 2012

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Ruff Gary K. Issuer Symbol TENET HEALTHCARE CORP (Check all applicable) [THC] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 1445 ROSS AVENUE, SUITE 1400 11/15/2012 SVP and General Counsel (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities or Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	d of (I	<b>D</b> )	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 (1)	11/15/2012		M	100,000	A	\$ 4.56	195,590	D	
Common Stock	11/15/2012		S	100,000 (2)	D	\$ 25.131 (3)	95,590	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu Disp		6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
2009 Options (Right to Buy) (1)	\$ 4.56	11/15/2012		M		100,000	<u>(4)</u>	02/26/2019	Common Stock	100,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	elationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Ruff Gary K. 1445 ROSS AVENUE SUITE 1400 DALLAS, TX 75202

SVP and General Counsel

# **Signatures**

/s/ Jeffrey S. McFall, Attorney in Fact for Gary K. Ruff

11/16/2012

\*\*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) All historical share and stock option exercise price data in this Form 4 have been restated to reflect a one-for-four reverse stock split effective as of October 11, 2012.
- (2) The shares were sold in open market broker transactions. The reporting person continues to meet the Company's stock ownership guidelines.
- The price is the weighted average sale price of the aggregate number of shares that were sold by the reporting person. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$24.86 to \$25.41. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (4) As previously reported, the options were granted on February 26, 2009 and vested ratably on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.

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