HERZOG THOMAS M

Form 4

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HERZOG THOMAS M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

HCP, INC. [HCP]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle)

(Street)

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

Director 10% Owner X__ Officer (give title __X__ Other (specify

3760 KILROY AIRPORT WAY,

01/29/2010

below) below)

SUITE 300

Eecutive Vice President / Chief Financial Officer

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

LONG BEACH, CA 90806

(State) (City) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3. 4. Securities

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

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

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial (D) or Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock

35,245 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)

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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)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day	Pate	7. Title and a Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 28.35	01/29/2010		A	69,630	<u>(1)</u>	01/29/2020	Common Stock	69,630

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HERZOG THOMAS M

3760 KILROY AIRPORT WAY, SUITE Eecutive Vice Chief Financial

300 President Officer

LONG BEACH, CA 90806

Signatures

Eric J. Stambol, Power of Attorney for Thomas M. Herzog 02/02/2010

**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) Options vest 20% per year commencing on January 29, 2011, the first anniversary of the grant.

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