

HERBERT TERESA A
Form 4
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FORM 4

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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 *
HERBERT TERESA A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
INDEPENDENCE HOLDING CO [IHC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
96 CUMMINGS POINT RD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/19/2013

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
CFO and SVP

STAMFORD, CT 06902
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 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) | Code V Amount (D) Price | | |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | (A) or Disposed of (D) | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | (A) | (D) | | | | |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 9.99 | 03/19/2013 | 03/19/2013 | D ⁽¹⁾ | 27,500 ⁽²⁾ | ⁽¹⁾ | 03/19/2013 | Common Stock | 27,500 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 9.99 | 03/19/2013 | 03/19/2013 | A ⁽¹⁾ | 27,500 | ⁽¹⁾ | 03/19/2018 | Common Stock | 27,500 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HERBERT TERESA A 96 CUMMINGS POINT RD STAMFORD, CT 06902 | | | CFO and SVP | |

Signatures

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|--|---------------------|
| Teresa A. Herbert | 03/19/2013 |
| <small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small> | <small>Date</small> |

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).
- The two reported transactions involved an amendment of an outstanding option, resulting in the deemed cancellation of the "old" option and the grant of a replacement option. The option originally expired on March 19, 2013 and provided for vesting in 3 equal annual installments commencing on March 19, 2009. The new option expires on March 19, 2018 and provides for vesting in 2 equal annual installments commencing on March 19, 2014.
- (1)
- (2) Adjusted for the 10% stock dividend paid on February 17, 2012.

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