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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * OMSTEAD DANIEL R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Symbol

H&Q HEALTHCARE INVESTORS

(Check all applicable)

[HQH]

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

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

HAMBRECHT & QUIST CAPITAL

below) below) President

10/10/2008

MANAGEMENT LLC, 2 LIBERTY **SQUARE, 9TH FLOOR**

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

BOSTON, MA 02109

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

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

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

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

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Shares of

beneficial

interest

10/10/2008

Code V Amount (D) P 387

9,034

D

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	ionNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)]
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	Security				Acquired						J
	-				(A) or						J
					Disposed						-
					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
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						Exercisable	able Date		of		
				C-1- 1	7 (A) (D)						
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

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

OMSTEAD DANIEL R HAMBRECHT & QUIST CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC 2 LIBERTY SQUARE, 9TH FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02109

X President

9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr

Signatures

/s/ Daniel R. 10/14/2008 Omstead

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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