

Rodriguez Javier
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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 *
Rodriguez Javier

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O DAVITA INC., 1551
WEWATTA ST.
(Street)

DENVER, CO 80202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
DAVITA INC [DVA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/13/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President

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 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	05/13/2011		M		52,500	A	\$ 52.12
Common Stock	05/13/2011		F		31,590	D	\$ 86.62
Common Stock	05/13/2011		S		20,910	D	\$ 85.5752 (1)
Common Stock	05/13/2011		M		75,000	A	\$ 52.12
Common Stock	05/13/2011		F		45,129	D	\$ 86.62

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Common Stock	05/13/2011	S	29,871	D	\$ 85.6235 (2)	48,831	D
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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 52.12	05/13/2011		M	52,500	03/14/2009 ⁽³⁾ 03/14/2012	Common Stock 5
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 52.12	05/13/2011		M	75,000	03/14/2010 ⁽⁴⁾ 03/14/2012	Common Stock 7

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Rodriguez Javier C/O DAVITA INC. 1551 WEWATTA ST. DENVER, CO 80202			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

/s/ Kim M. Rivera
Attorney-in-Fact

03/17/2011

**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) The range of prices for the sale of these shares was \$85.55 - \$85.59. The filer undertakes to provide staff, the issuer, or a security holder full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2) The range of prices for the sale of these shares was \$85.59 - \$85.69. The filer undertakes to provide staff, the issuer, or a security holder full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) Stock Appreciation Right, pursuant to the 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, which vest 25% on the second anniversary of the grant date, 12.5% on the 32nd month following the grant date, and 12.5% every four months thereafter.
- (4) Stock Appreciation Right, pursuant to the 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, which vest 50% on the third anniversary of the grant date, 12.5% on the 45th month following the grant date, and 12.5% every three months thereafter.

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