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See Instruction 30(n) of the Investment Company Act of

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Tate Susan M		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
		HCP, INC. [HCP]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
3760 KILROY AIRPORT WAY, SUITE 300		(Month/Day/Year) 08/03/2012	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice President		
(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
LONG BEACH, CA 90806		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tak	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie our Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	d of (D)	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	08/03/2012		M	10,056	A	\$ 23.34	54,824	D		
Common Stock	08/03/2012		S	10,056	D	\$ 46.2987 (1)	44,768	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)	orDerivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option	\$ 23.34	08/03/2012		M		10,056	01/30/2009(2)	01/30/2019	Common Stock	10,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Tate Susan M 3760 KILROY AIRPORT WAY SUITE 300 LONG BEACH, CA 90806

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Troy E. McHenry, VP, Corporate Counsel (Power of Attorney) 08/06/2012

**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).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sales price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at sale prices ranging (1) from \$46.0800 to \$46.4400. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the SEC, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth herein.
- (2) Stock options vest 20% annually commencing on the first anniversary of the January 30, 2009 grant date.

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