#### FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     HENSEL EMIL							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  CROSS COUNTRY HEALTHCARE INC  CCRN ]										ck all applic	cable) or	g Per	son(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s	vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2538 NW 64TH BLVD.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/14/2006											below)	Officer (give title below)  Chief Financia		below)	респу
(Street) BOCA RATON FL 33496					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)											Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable le)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				n
(City)	City) (State) (Zip)																	1			
Table I - Non-Deriva  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						ar)	Curities Acqu 2A. Deemed Execution Date, f any Month/Day/Year)			red, l ransac ode (li	tion	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				or 5. Amou Securiti Benefic		nt of es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									C	ode	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Pric	ce	Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 12/14/2							2006			<b>M</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		8,000	)	A	\$7	7.75	106,574(2)			D	
Common Stock 12/14/2						6				5 <sup>(1)</sup>		4,000	)	D	\$2	1.45	106,574(2)			D	
Common Stock 12/14/2						6				5 <sup>(1)</sup>		4,000	)	D	\$2	1.58	106,574(2)			D	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr 8)		n of E			ite Exe ration ith/Day	Date	ble and	Amo Sec Und Deri	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		C   S	s. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly C	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$7.75	12/14/2006			M <sup>(1)</sup>			8,000		(3)	1	2/16/2009		nmon ock	8,00	00	\$0	47,896 <sup>(-</sup>	4)	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The option exercises and stock sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on November 20, 2006.
- 2. 8,955 shares are held by Mr. Hensel directly, 84,927 are held by his wife and 12,692 are held by his daughter. In addition to the shares listed in Column 5 of Table I, 12,473 are held by each of his two sons. Mr. Hensel's two sons are adults and as a result, he disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares. Mr. Hensel's daughter is a college student and does not reside in Mr. Hensel's household. Her shares are included in the total reported in Column 5 of Table I.
- 3. The options exercised are fully vested.
- 4. In addition, Mr. Hensel has 374,759 options to purchase Common Stock of the Company with different exercise prices from the options reported in Table II.

# Remarks:

/s/ Emil Hensel

12/18/2006

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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).

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