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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Metalmark Capital LLC			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 07/22/2004 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CROSS COUNTRY HEALTHCARE INC [CCRN]								
(Last) 1585 BROAD	(First)	(Middle)			Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner			(5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
(Street) NEW YORK (City)		10036 (Zip)			Officer (give title below)		Other (spe below)		Applicable Line) $f X$ Form filed b	t/Group Filing (Check y One Reporting Person y More than One erson	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr.	4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock, Par value \$0.0001 per share					3,835,805		I (1)		See footnote ⁽²⁾		
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
Expiration		2. Date Exerc Expiration Day/ (Month/Day/	ate	d 3. Title and Amount of Securi Underlying Derivative Securit			4. Conversi or Exerci	se Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
			Date Exercisable	Expiratio Date	n Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivativ Security	Direct (D) e or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Reporting Person may be deemed to have beneficial ownership of the securities in Table I(2) held by Morgan Stanley Dean Witter Capital Partners IV, L.P. and MSDW IV 892 Investors, L.P.
- 2. Reporting Person has no direct pecuniary interest in securities in Table I(2). Reporting Person may be deemed to beneficially own an indirect pecuniary interest in securities in Table I(2). Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership therein except to the extent ultimately realized.

/s/ Kenneth F. Clifford,

Managing Director, on behalf 08/03/2004

of Metalmark Capital LLC

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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 5 (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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