

MATRIA HEALTHCARE INC
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 Hassett Richard M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 MATRIA HEALTHCARE INC
 [MATR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1850 PARKWAY PLACE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/26/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President and COO

MARIETTA, GA 30067

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	04/26/2006		P		3,600	A	\$ 30.9684
					19,573	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)

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- (1) Granted on 11/15/2004 and vests 20% per annum thereafter.
- (2) Granted on 02/22/2005 and vests 20% per annum thereafter.
- (3) Granted on 06/08/2005 and vests 20% per annum thereafter.
- (4) Granted on 07/20/2005 and vests 20% per annum thereafter.
- (5) Granted on 11/07/2005 and vests 33 1/3% per annum thereafter.
- (6) Granted on 01/04/2006 and vests 33 1/3% per annum thereafter.

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