

MATRIA HEALTHCARE INC
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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 *
 PETIT PARKER H

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)
 04/25/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Chairman of the Board and CEO

MARIETTA, GA 30067

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	04/25/2006		P		35,000	A	\$ 26.79	888,506	D	
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	08/08/1988		J		0	A	\$ 0	3,750	I	Petit Grantor Trust
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	08/08/1988		J		0	A	\$ 0	73,832	I	Limited Partnership
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	08/08/1988		J		0	A	\$ 0	6,720	I	By Spouse

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
					V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.33	12/15/1997		J		1,875		12/15/1998	12/15/2007	Common Stock	1,875
Option (right to buy)	\$ 14	02/24/1998		J		22,500		02/24/1999	02/24/2008	Common Stock	22,500
Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.16	05/18/1998		J		3,750		05/18/1999	05/18/2008	Common Stock	3,750
Option (right to buy)	\$ 11	01/19/1999		J		22,500		01/19/2000	01/19/2009	Common Stock	22,500
Option (right to buy)	\$ 16	07/23/1999		J		3,750		07/23/2000	07/23/2009	Common Stock	3,750
Option (right to buy)	\$ 12	05/18/2000		J		3,750		05/18/2001	05/18/2010	Common Stock	3,750
Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.33	10/04/2000		J		27,011		10/04/2004	10/04/2010	Common Stock	27,011
Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.75	02/06/2001		J		46,892		02/16/2005	02/16/2011	Common Stock	46,892
Option (right to buy)	\$ 10.57	05/24/2001		J		300,000		05/24/2005	05/24/2011	Common Stock	300,000
Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.37	02/19/2002		J		36,503		02/19/2006	02/19/2012	Common Stock	36,503

