HealthMarkets, Inc. Form 4 August 31, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

HealthMarkets, Inc. [N/A]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

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08/31/2006

Symbol

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **GEDWED WILLIAM J**

> (Last) (First) (Middle)

> > (Street)

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NORTH RICHLAND

HILLS, TX 76180

(City)

(State) (Zip)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned