

WELLTOWER INC.
Form 4
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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 *
DONAHUE JEFFREY H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O WELLTOWER INC., 4500
DORR STREET

(Street)

TOLEDO, OH 43615

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
WELLTOWER INC. [HCN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/12/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Amount | | |
| | | | | Code | V | | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|---|------|---|-------|-----|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------|--|
| Deferred Stock Units | \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ | 02/12/2016 | | A | | 2,758 | | 02/12/2017 ⁽¹⁾ | 02/12/2017 ⁽¹⁾ | Common | 2,758 ⁽¹⁾ |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| DONAHUE JEFFREY H C/O WELLTOWER INC. 4500 DORR STREET TOLEDO, OH 43615 | | X | | |

Signatures

By: Erin C. Ibele Attorney-in-Fact For: Jeffrey H. Donahue 02/16/2016

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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These deferred stock units were granted without cash consideration on February 12, 2016 under the Amended and Restated Welltower

(1) Inc. 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan. Each deferred stock unit represents a right to receive one share of common stock of Welltower Inc. at the time of vesting of the unit. These deferred stock units vest in one installment, with 2,758 units vesting on February 12, 2017.

(2) Includes (i) 562 deferred stock units granted on February 6, 2014, with 562 units vesting on February 6, 2017; and (ii) 2,758 deferred stock units granted on February 12, 2016, with 2,758 units vesting on February 12, 2017.

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