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Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NEIDORFF MICHAEL F			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol					ıg	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
		CENTENE CORP [CNC]						(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (1	Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction					•• /			
7700 FORY	(Month/Day/Year) 03/06/2015						_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman, President and CEO				
	4. If Amendment, Date Original						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
		Filed(Month/Day/Year)						Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person			
ST. LOUIS, MO 63105									Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - No	on-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution		3. Transa Code (Instr.		4. Securit n(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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)
Common Stock	03/06/2015			G	V	7,500	D	\$ 0	3,644,836 <u>(1)</u>	D	
Common Stock	04/06/2015			S		10,000 (2)	D	\$ 70.43	3,634,873 <u>(1)</u>	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)

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		e	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	\$ 0 (3)					02/11/2011	02/11/2011(4)	Common Stock	101,138.0
Common Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.7					12/13/2008	12/13/2015	Common Stock	400,000
Common Stock Option (right to	\$ 12.6					12/12/2009	12/12/2016	Common Stock	192,068

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
NEIDORFF MICHAEL F 7700 FORYSTH BOULEVARD ST. LOUIS, MO 63105	X		Chairman, President and CEO					

Signatures

buy)

/s/ William N. Scheffel (executed by attorney-in-fact) 04/08/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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).
- (1) Ownership includes previous awards of 640,000 restricted stock units subject to vesting requirements.

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- This sale is pursuant to diversification and satisfaction of tax obligations. The shares were sold in accordance with a 10b5-1 Trading Plan (2) that was established on March 6, 2015. The weighted average price for this transaction is reported within the form. Full information regarding the number of shares at each price is available upon request.
- (3) Each share of phantom stock represents the right to receive the fair market value of one share of Centene common stock.
- (4) The phantom stock has no formal expiration date. The phantom stock will be settled in cash or other non-Company securities upon Mr. Neidorff's termination with the Company or on such other date Mr. Neidorff may elect.

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