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CURIVI 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549							OMMISSION	OMB Number:	3235-0287		
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obligatio may cor <i>See</i> Inst 1(b).	ons Section 17	(a) of the l	Public U		ding Con	npan	y Act of	1935 or Section			
(Print or Type	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> MELLO JOSEPH C			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DAVITA INC [DVA]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 601 HAWAII ST. (Street)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2005					(Check all applicable) <u></u> Director <u></u> 10% Owner <u></u> Officer (give title <u></u> 0ther (specify below) Chief Operations Officer			
			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tak	la I Nam I	Danimatina	C		Person	an Dan eficial		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deen (Month/Day/Year) Execution any (Month/D		ed Date, if	3.	4. Securities Acquired (A) onor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) 	OwnershipIndirForm:BeneDirect (D)Own	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/01/2005			Code V M <u>(1)</u>	Amount 37,500	(D) A	Price \$ 15.5	(Instr. 3 and 4) 138,835	D		
Common Stock	03/01/2005			S <u>(2)</u>	37,500	D	\$ 42.6402	101,335	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. Number of tionDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.5	03/01/2005		M <u>(3)</u>		37,500	02/08/2004	02/08/2007	Common Stock	37,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
L O	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
MELLO JOSEPH C 601 HAWAII ST. EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245			Chief Operations Officer					
Signatures								
/s/ Corinna B. Polk		03/03/2005	i					

Attorney-in-Fact

**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) The acquisition of these shares was completed in accordance with a Rule 10b5-1 Sales Plan.
- (2) The sale of these shares was completed in accordance with a Rule 10b5-1 Sales Plan.
- (3) The exercise of these options was completed in accordance with a Rule 10b5-1 Sales Plan.

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