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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement DAVITA INC [DVA] À Mildenberger Laura (Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2009 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 601 HAWAII ST. (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person EL SEGUNDO, Â CAÂ 90245 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One SVP & Chief People Officer

(State)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(City)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

Reporting Person

(Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Zip)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	ion Date		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	(Instr. 5)

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Stock Option (Right to Buy)	08/12/2005(1)	08/12/2009	Common Stock	11,667	\$ 28.01	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	12/30/2005(2)	12/30/2009	Common Stock	15,000	\$ 39.62	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	07/01/2007(3)	07/01/2011	Common Stock	25,500	\$ 49.7	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	10/11/2009(4)	10/11/2011	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 56.38	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	03/14/2009(5)	03/14/2012	Common Stock	25,000	\$ 52.12	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right	02/28/2009(6)	02/28/2013	Common Stock	15,000	\$ 50.37	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Mildenberger Laura 601 HAWAII ST. EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245	Â	Â	SVP & Chief People Officer	Â		

Date

Signatures

/s/ Corinna B. Polk Attorney-in-Fact 03/12/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Non-qualified stock options, pursuant to the 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, which 11,667 shares are currently exercisable.
- (2) Non-qualified stock options, pursuant to the 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, which 13,750 share are currently exercisable and 1,250 shares vest on 4/30/09.
- (3) Stock Appreciation Right, pursuant to the 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, which 10,500 shares are currently exercisable, and 2,500 shares vest on each of 3/1/09, 7/1/09, 11/1/09, 3/1/10, 7/1/10, and 11/1/10.
- (4) Stock Appreciation Right, pursuant to the 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, which 15,000 shares vest on 10/11/09, and 5,000 shares vest on 10/11/10.
- (5) Stock Appreciation Right, pursuant to the 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, which 6,250 shares vest on 3/14/09, and 3,125 shares vest on each of 11/14/09, 3/14/10, 7/14/10, 11/14/10, 3/14/11, and 7/14/11.
- (6) Stock Appreciation Right, pursuant to the 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, which 3,750 shares vest on 2/28/09, and 1,250 shares vest on each of 10/31/09, 2/28/10, 6/30/10, 10/31/10, 2/28/11, 6/30/11, 10/31/11, 2/29/12, and 6/30/12.

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