WELLTOWER INC.

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NAUGHTON TIMOTHY J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

WELLTOWER INC. [HCN]

(Check all applicable)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/12/2016

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

C/O WELLTOWER INC., 4500 DORR STREET

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

TOLEDO, OH 43615

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

any

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Security or Exercise

Code

5. Number Transaction Derivative Date Securities

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)

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2,758

Amou or Numb of Shares

2,75

(1)

02/12/2017(1) 02/12/2017(1) Common

(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

Reporting Owners

\$ 0 (1)

Stock

Units

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

02/12/2016

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

NAUGHTON TIMOTHY J C/O WELLTOWER INC. 4500 DORR STREET TOLEDO, OH 43615

X

Signatures

By: Erin C. Ibele Attorney-in-Fact For: Timothy J.
Naughton

02/16/2016

**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).
- 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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