WELLTOWER INC.

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Rivera Sergio Issuer Symbol WELLTOWER INC. [HCN] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify C/O WELLTOWER INC., 4500 02/09/2017 below) DORR STREET 4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) 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 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of TransactionAcquired (A) or Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price Amount Common 02/12/2017 5,259.0305 ⁽²⁾ D M 2.298

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)

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Numb orDerivation Securities Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 5)	ve es d (A) or d of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Ame Underlying Sect (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Ar or No of Sh
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0 (3)	02/09/2017		A	2,142		02/09/2018(3)	02/09/2018(3)	Common	2
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0 (4)	02/12/2017		M		2,298	02/12/2017(4)	02/12/2017(4)	Common	2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Rivera Sergio						
C/O WELLTOWER INC.	X					
4500 DORR STREET	21					
TOLEDO, OH 43615						

Signatures

By: Matthew McQueen Attorney-in-Fact For: Sergio D. 02/13/2017 Rivera

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- 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).
- The reported transaction was a vesting of 2,298 deferred stock units on February 12, 2017, resulting in the issuance of 2,298 shares of (1) common stock. No amount was payable in connection with the vesting of the common stock issuance.
- (2) Amount includes 26.3905 shares acquired as a result of reinvestment of dividends under the dividend reinvestment plan.
- These deferred stock units were granted without cash consideration on February 9, 2017 under the Welltower Inc. 2016 Long-Term (3) 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 on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- These deferred stock units were granted without cash consideration on February 12, 2016 under the Amended and Restated Welltower (4) 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 2,298 units having vested on February 12, 2017.
- (5) Includes 2,142 deferred stock units granted on February 9, 2017, with 2,142 units vesting on February 9, 2018.

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