

PETERS CHARLES E JR  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**PETERS CHARLES E JR**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**C/O RED HAT, INC., 1801 VARSITY DRIVE**  
 (Street)

**RALEIGH, NC 27606**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**RED HAT INC [RHT]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**12/31/2010**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**EVP, Chief Financial Officer**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/31/2010		M	22,364 A \$ 12.26	116,375	D	
Common Stock	12/31/2010		S	22,364 D \$ 45.75	94,011	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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
Employee Stock Option NQSO (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.26	12/31/2010		M	22,364	(2) 08/31/2014		Common Stock	22,364

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PETERS CHARLES E JR C/O RED HAT, INC. 1801 VARSITY DRIVE RALEIGH, NC 27606			EVP, Chief Financial Officer	

**Signatures**

/s/ Brandon Asbill, Atty in Fact  
UPOA  
01/03/2011  
Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

**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).  
Represents the weighted average sale price per share. The shares were sold at prices ranging from \$45.75 - \$45.78 per share. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price shall be provided upon request to the Staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer.
- (2) This option is exercisable 25% on the first anniversary date of the date of grant and 6.25% on the first day of each subsequent three month period following one year from the date of grant.

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