

CommonWealth REIT  
Form 4  
February 10, 2014

# FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
PORTNOY BARRY M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O REIT MANAGEMENT &  
RESEARCH LLC, TWO NEWTON  
PL., 255 WASH. ST., STE. 300

(Street)

NEWTON, MA 02458

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
CommonWealth REIT [NYSE:  
CWH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/07/2014

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price			
Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	02/07/2014		J <sup>(1)</sup>		6,702.85	A \$ 23.3 <sup>(2)</sup>	6,702.85	I	See Footnote <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Shares of Beneficial Interest							246,199.949 <sup>(3)</sup>	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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 10)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PORTNOY BARRY M  
C/O REIT MANAGEMENT & RESEARCH LLC  
TWO NEWTON PL., 255 WASH. ST., STE. 300  
NEWTON, MA 02458

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## Signatures

/s/ Barry M.  
Portnoy

02/07/2014

\*\*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).

- Owned by Reit Management & Research LLC ("RMR"), of which Reit Management & Research Trust ("RMR Trust") is the sole member. Mr. Portnoy is the Chairman and a director of RMR, and the Chairman, majority beneficial owner and a trustee of RMR Trust.
- These shares were issued as a portion of the management fee paid by the Issuer to RMR pursuant to a business management agreement between the Issuer and RMR (the "Management Agreement").
- Pursuant to the terms of the Management Agreement, the per share price amount listed above is the average of the closing prices of the Common Shares on the New York Stock Exchange for each trading day during the month of January 2014.
- Includes 7,793,876 shares acquired under the Commonwealth REIT Dividend Reinvestment Plan since the last Section 16 filing by Mr. Portnoy.

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