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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 Person* Frank Mary Margaret	Statem	Statement (Month/Day/Year) FEM		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FEMALE HEALTH CO [FHCO]				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O THE FEMALE HEALTH COMPANY, 515 NORTH STATE STREET, SUITE 2225	10/22			X Director Officer (give title	all applicable)10% OwnerOther (speci	Filed(Mont	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
(Street) CHICAGO, IL 60610				below) below)		Applicable L _X_ Form fi	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)X_Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City) (State) (Zip)			Table I -	Non-Derivati	ve Securities 1	Beneficially O	wned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)		Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) Form (D) o (I)		Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each cl	pond to the	collection of	f information	n contained in tl	nis form are not	required to res	SEC 1473 (7-02)	
Table II - Deriv	ative Securit	ies Beneficially	y Owned (e.g.,	, puts, calls, warr	ants, options, con	vertible securitie	s)	
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exe Expiration (Month/Day/Y				Amount of nderlying Derivati	Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock Option	(1)	10/22/2014	Common	30,000	\$ 1.66	D		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
		10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Frank Mary Margaret C/O THE FEMALE HEALTH COMPANY 515 NORTH STATE STREET, SUITE 2225 CHICAGO, IL 60610	X					

Signatures

Mary M. Frank	10/26/2004
***Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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) Options for one thirty-sixth of the shares vest on the 22nd of each month for the 36-month period commencing on November 22, 2004 and ending on October 22, 2007.

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THE FEMALE HEALTH COMPANY

The undersigned, a director, officer and/or shareholder of The Female Health Company, a Wisconsin corporation (the 'Company'), who is subject to the reporting requirements of section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, does hereby constitute and appoint O.B. Parrish and James M. Bedore, and each of them, each with full power to act without the other and with full power of substitution and resubstitution, as attorneys or attorney to sign and file in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, a Form 4, Form 5 or any successor form for reporting the undersigned's transactions in and holdings of the Company's equity securities for purposes of section 16(a) of the Exchange Act, and any and all other documents to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pertaining to or relating to such forms, with full power and authority to do and perform any and all acts and things whatsoever required and necessary to be done, hereby ratifying and approving the acts of said attorneys and each of them and any substitute or substitutes.

Executed as of October 26, 2004.

/s/ Mary Margaret Frank