

HEMISPHERX BIOPHARMA INC  
 Form 5  
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**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**PETERSON ROBERT E**  
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**HEMISPHERX BIOPHARMA INC [HEB]**

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
**12/31/2006**

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)  
**CFO**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting  
 (check applicable line)  
 Form Filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person

137 SPRUCE CIRCLE N  
 (Street)

BANNEGAT, NJ 08005  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

**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) (A) or (D) Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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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	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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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	Derivative Security				Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number of Shares
					(A)	(D)				
Options	\$ 3.85	02/28/2006	^	A	50,000	^	02/28/2006	02/28/2016	Common Stock	50,000
Options	\$ 3.48	04/14/2006	^	A	100,000	^	04/14/2006	04/14/2016	Common Stock	100,000
Common Stock	\$ 3.55	04/30/2006	^	A	30,000	^	04/30/2006	04/30/2016	Common Stock	30,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PETERSON ROBERT E 137 SPRUCE CIRCLE N BANNEGAT, NJ 08005	^	^	^ CFO	^

## Signatures

Robert E.  
Peterson 01/26/2007

\_\_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).

(1) The reporting person also indirectly owns 55,000 shares with his Spouse.

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