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FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

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	subject to Section 16.													
	Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).													
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1.	Name and Address of Reporting Person*	2.	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	3.	I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)									
	Clemens, Peter A.		Halsey Drug Co., Inc. Symbol: HDGC											
	(Last) (First) (Middle)													
		4.	Statement for Month/Day/Year	5.	If Amendment, Date of Original									
	c/o Halsey Drug Co., Inc. 695 N. Perryville Rd. Bldg. 2				(Month/Day/Year)									
			1/03											
	(Street)													
		6.	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable)	7.	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)									
	Rockford, Illinois 61107		☑ Director 0 10% Owner		o Form Filed by One Reporting Person									
	(City) (State) (Zip)		☑ Officer (give title below)		O Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person									
			0 Other (specify below)											
			Vice President & Chief Financial Officer											

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* instruction 4(b)(v).

Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2.	Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (Instr.		Disposed of (4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Sec- urities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Trans- action(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownershij (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock (\$.01 par value)		12/20/02		J(7)	v	17,506	А	\$1.01		D	
Common Stock (\$.01 par value)		12/20/02		J(7)	v	14,916	А	\$1.01		D	
Common Stock (\$.01 par value)		12/20/02		J(7)	v	5,538	А	\$1.01		D	
Common Stock (\$.01 par value)		12/20/02		J(7)	v	4,720	A	\$1.01	46,050	D	

Table II — Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Title of Derivative Security (<i>Instr. 3</i>)	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 Derivati Acquired (A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	
							Code V		(A)	(D)
5% Convertible Senior Secured Debentures	\$.58(6)		3/10/98				А		(1)	
5% Convertible Senior Secured Debentures	\$.58(6)		6/12/98				A		(2)	
Non-qualified Stock Options	\$2.375		2/19/98				A			
5% Convertible Senior Secured Debentures	\$.47(6)		4/1/99				А		(5)	
Non-qualified Stock Options	\$1.125		4/12/99				А		(4)	
5% Convertible Senior Secured Debentures	\$1.06(6)		7/1/99				А		(5)	
Non-qualified Stock Options	\$1.875		2/17/00				А		(4)	
5% Convertible Senior Secured Debentures	\$.75(6)		4/1/00				А		(5)	
Non-qualified Stock Options	\$1.1125		6/29/00				A		(4)	
5% Convertible Senior Secured Debentures	\$.49(6)		7/1/00				А		(5)	
5% Convertible Senior Secured Debentures	\$.40(6)		10/1/00				А		(5)	
5% Convertible Senior Secured Debentures	\$.27(6)		01/01/01				А		(5)	
5% Convertible Senior Secured Debentures	\$.45(6)		04/01/01				А		(5)	
5% Convertible Senior Secured Debentures	\$.97(6)		07/01/01				А		(5)	
5% Convertible Senior Secured Debentures	\$.97(6)		10/01/01				A		(5)	
5% Convertible Senior Secured Debentures	\$.81(6)		01/01/02				A		(5)	
5% Convertible Senior Secured Debentures	\$.88(6)		04/01/02				A		(5)	
5% Convertible Senior Secured Debentures	\$.75(6)		07/01/02				А		(5)	
5% Convertible Senior Secured Debentures	\$.76(6)		10/01/02				A		(5)	
5% Convertible Senior Secured Debentures	\$1.02		1/01/03				A		(5)	
Warrants	\$.57		12/20/02				D		J(7)	
Warrants	\$.92		12/20/02				D		J(7)	
Warrants	\$.57		12/20/02				D		J(7)	
Warrants	\$.92		12/20/02				D		J(7)	

Table II — Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned — Continued (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount 8. Price of Derivative 9. Number of Derivative Securities 10. Ownership Form of 11. Nature of									Ownership Form of		
Expiration (Month/Da		of Underlyi (Instr. 3 and	ing Securities 14)		Security (Instr. 5)		Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Date Exercisa	Expiration ble Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares								
3/10/9	3 3/31/06	Common Stock	172,414(6)						D		
6/12/9	3 3/31/06	Common Stock	41,445(6)						D		
(3)	2/19/08	Common Stock	300,000						D		
4/1/99	3/31/06	Common Stock	3,300(6)						D		
4/12/0) 4/12/09	Common Stock	100,000						D		
7/1/99	3/31/06	Common Stock	1,480(6)						D		
2/17/0	1 2/17/10	Common Stock	125,000						D		
4/1/00	3/31/06	Common Stock	2,120(6)						D		
6/29/0	6/29/10	Common Stock	100,000						D		
7/01/0) 3/31/06	Common Stock	3,284(6)						D		
10/1/0) 3/31/06	Common Stock	3,875(6)						D		
01/01/0	1 3/31/06	Common Stock	5,741(6)						D		
04/01/0	1 3/31/06	Common Stock	3,444(6)						D		
07/01/0	1 3/31/06	Common Stock	1,598(6)						D		
10/01/0	1 3/31/06	Common Stock	1,598(6)						D		
01/01/0	2 3/31/06	Common Stock	1,914(6)						D		
04/01/0	2 3/31/06	Common Stock	1,761(6)						D		
07/01/0	2 3/31/06	Common Stock	2,067(6)						D		
10/01/0	2 3/31/06	Common Stock	2,039(6)						D		
1/01/0	3 3/31/06	Common Stock	1,520				874,600		D		
3/10/9	3 3/15/05	Common Stock	25,259(6)				0		D		
3/10/9	3 3/15/05	Common Stock	24,696(6)				0		D		
6/12/9	3 3/15/05	Common Stock	7,992(6)				0		D		
6/12/9	3 3/15/05	Common Stock	7,814(6)				0		D		

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Purchased in connection with a private offering on March 10, 1998 consisting of a Convertible Debenture convertible at any time.
- (2) Acquired pursuant to an option exercise in June 1998, consisting of a Convertible Debenture, convertible at any time.
- (3) Options vest quarterly, with 25,000 options vesting every quarter effective May 1, 1998.
- (4) Options vest 25% annually.
- (5) Certain quarterly interest payments are paid in the form of convertible debentures.
- (6) Adjusted to reflect results of an anti-dilution calculation contained in the instrument.
- (7) Pursuant to a recapitalization exempt under Rule 16b-7, the warrants were exchanged for shares of common stock.

/s/ Peter A. Clemens	January 6, 2003
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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