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Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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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 * DAMMEYER RODNEY F

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

VAN KAMPEN HIGH INCOME TRUST [VIT]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First)

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

_X__ Director _____ 10% Owner ____ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify

10/20/2004

(Middle)

ROD DAMMEYER, CAC, LLC, 4350 LAJOLLA VILLAGE DRIVE, STE 980

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

 $6.\ Individual\ or\ Joint/Group\ Filing (Check$

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SAN DIEGO, CA 92122

| (City) | (State) (| Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative | Secur | ities Ac | quired, Disposed | of, or Beneficial | lly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|-------------|---|-----------|------------|---|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | ransaction Date 2A. Deemed nth/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. 4. Securities A Transaction(A) or Dispose Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and | | d of | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | Code V | Amount | or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| common shares | 10/20/2004 | | S | 427 | D | \$ 4.47 | 27,573 | D | |
| common shares | 10/20/2004 | | S | 2,400 | D | \$ 4.48 | 25,173 | D | |
| common shares | 10/20/2004 | | S | 100 | D | \$ 4.44 | 25,073 | D | |
| common shares | 10/20/2004 | | S | 100 | D | \$ 4.43 | 24,973 | D | |
| | 10/20/2004 | | S | 100 | D | | 24,873 | D | |

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| common shares | | | | | \$ 4.42 | |
|------------------|------------|---|-------|---|-------------------|---|
| common shares | 10/20/2004 | S | 100 | D | \$ 4.41 24,773 | D |
| common shares | 10/20/2004 | S | 6,000 | D | \$ 4.4 18,773 | 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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, | | ate | 7. Title Amoun Underl Securit (Instr. | nt of lying | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------|--------------------|---|--|---|--|
| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| coporaing of the rainey realized | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| DAMMEYER RODNEY F ROD DAMMEYER, CAC, LLC 4350 LAJOLLA VILLAGE DRIVE, STE 980 SAN DIEGO, CA 92122 | X | | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Rod
Dammeyer 10/20/2004

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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