

AETNA INC /PA/
Form 4
September 08, 2005

FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BENNETT ALAN M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

151 FARMINGTON AVENUE

(Street)

HARTFORD, CT 06156

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
AETNA INC /PA/ [AET]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/06/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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)
Common Stock	09/06/2005		M	19,000 A	\$ 17.89	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005		S ⁽¹⁾	1,500 D	\$ 80.91	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005		S ⁽¹⁾	2,800 D	\$ 80.92	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005		S ⁽¹⁾	2,400 D	\$ 80.94	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005		S ⁽¹⁾	700 D	\$ 80.96	0	D

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Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	7,500	D	\$ 81	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	400	D	\$ 81.04	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	6,600	D	\$ 81.08	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	300	D	\$ 81.11	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	300	D	\$ 81.17	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	3,200	D	\$ 81.2	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	1,000	D	\$ 81.21	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 81.26	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 81.27	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	1,000	D	\$ 81.5	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 81.51	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	1,400	D	\$ 81.52	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	700	D	\$ 81.53	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 81.54	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 81.55	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 81.56	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	300	D	\$ 81.57	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	3,900	D	\$ 80.07	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	3,700	D	\$ 80.5	0	D
Common Stock	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 80.64	0	D
	09/06/2005	<u>S(1)</u>	300	D		25,984	D

Common Stock	\$ 80.99		
Common Stock	5,394,523 ⁽²⁾	I	401(k) Plan

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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 17.89	09/06/2005		M		19,000		01/25/2003	01/25/2012	Common Stock	19,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BENNETT ALAN M 151 FARMINGTON AVENUE HARTFORD, CT 06156			Senior Vice President & CFO	

Signatures

Alan M. Bennett by Judith H. Jones,
Attorney-in-Fact

09/08/2005

****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 sale reported was effected pursuant to a 10b-5 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 2, 2005.

(2)

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Represents pro rata share of the stock portion of Aetna Common Stock Fund held by reporting person on August 31, 2005 pursuant to Aetna 401(k) Plan. The information is based on information provided by the Plan Trustee as of that date.

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