CHOW JOSEPH W

Form 5

Stock

\$0.001 par value

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12/31/2008

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1. Name and A CHOW JOS	ddress of Reporting I SEPH W	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL INC [HTGC]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
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(Last)	(First) (M	(Month/I	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2008				X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
GROWTH (ULES TECHNOL CAPITAL, 400 N AVE., SUITE 3	LOGY								
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)			
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(Instr. 3) any			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock \$0.001 par value	05/29/2008	Â	A	5,000 (1)	A	\$ <u>(1)</u>	54,631	D	Â	
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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 o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
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Options to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 10.39	05/29/2008	Â	A	15,000	Â	(3)	05/29/2018	Commont Stock \$0.001 par value	15,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CHOW JOSEPH W

C/O HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL 400 HAMILTON AVE., SUITE 310 PALO ALTO. CAÂ 94301

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Signatures

/s/Scott Harvey, Attorney-in-fact for Joseph W. Chow

02/11/2009

**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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Shares issued as an automatic grant pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2006 Non-Employee Director Plan and are subject to forfeiture restrictions of 1/3 lapsing on 5/29/2009, 1/3 lapsing on 5/29/2010 and 1/3 lapsing on 5/29/2011.
- (2) Shares acquired through the Hercules Technology Growth Capital, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- One third of the options vest on 5/29/2009, one third of the options vest on 5/29/2010 and the final one third of the options vest on 5/29/2011.

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