AETNA INC /PA/ Form 4 October 03, 2005

FORM 4

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

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obligations may continue.

See Instruction 1(b).

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Casazza William James

(Last) (First) (Middle)

151 FARMINGTON AVENUE

HARTFORD, CT 06156

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

AETNA INC /PA/ [AET] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 09/29/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify below)

Sr VP, Gen. Coun. & Corp. Sec.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership Form: Direct (T) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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)

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of

(D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date E

(D) Date Exercisable Expiration Date

Title

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Employee

Stock \$84.7 09/29/2005 A 11,917 09/29/2006(1) 09/29/2015 Common Stock 11,9

Option

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

Casazza William James 151 FARMINGTON AVENUE

HARTFORD, CT 06156

Sr VP, Gen. Coun. & Corp. Sec.

Signatures

William J. Casazza by Judith H. Jones, Attorney-in-Fact

10/03/2005

**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).
- Option granted under the 2000 Stock Incentive Plan, exercisable on September 29, 2006 (3,973 shares); September 29, 2007 (3, 972 shares); and September 29, 2008 (3,972 shares).

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