

AETNA INC /PA/  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
**WILLIAMS RONALD A**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**AETNA INC., 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)  
**08/27/2007**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**Chairman, CEO & President**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	08/27/2007		M		800,000	A	\$ 8.945
Common Stock	08/27/2007		S <sup>(1)</sup>		239,800	D	\$ 50
Common Stock	08/27/2007		S <sup>(1)</sup>		78,000	D	\$ 50.01
Common Stock	08/27/2007		S <sup>(1)</sup>		37,200	D	\$ 50.02
Common Stock	08/27/2007		S <sup>(1)</sup>		72,600	D	\$ 50.03

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Common Stock	08/27/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	74,200	D	\$ 50.04	0		D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	94,700	D	\$ 50.05	0		D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	11,700	D	\$ 50.06	0		D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	34,300	D	\$ 50.07	0		D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	44,500	D	\$ 50.08	0		D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	35,700	D	\$ 50.09	0		D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	45,000	D	\$ 50.1	0		D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	11,100	D	\$ 50.11	0		D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	15,100	D	\$ 50.12	0		D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	1,900	D	\$ 50.13	0		D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	1,800	D	\$ 50.14	0		D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	1,600	D	\$ 50.17	0		D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 50.18	0		D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 50.19	0		D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 50.2	0		D	
Common Stock	08/27/2007	<u>S(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 50.22	211,094	<u>(2)</u>	D	
Common Stock						10,000	<u>(3)</u>	I	By GRAT

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)**

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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	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
Employee Stock Option	\$ 8.945	08/27/2007		M		800,000	01/25/2003 01/25/2012	Common Stock	800,000

### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WILLIAMS RONALD A AETNA INC. 151 FARMINGTON AVENUE HARTFORD, CT 06156	X		Chairman, CEO & President	

### Signatures

Ronald A. Williams by Judith H. Jones, Attorney -in-fact  
08/28/2007

\*\*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) Sale was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by reporting person on July 30, 2007.
- (2) Includes 120,000 shares held in the Williams Family Trust of which Mr. Williams and his spouse are sole trustees and beneficiaries, and 926 shares acquired under the Aetna Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) Shares held in Guaranteed Retained Annuity Trust of which Mr. Williams is the sole trustee.

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