

BENNETT ALAN M

Form 4

February 22, 2005

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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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)
02/17/2005

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 ____ Other (specify
below) below)

Senior Vice President & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	02/17/2005		M		2,277	A	\$ 43.3828	0	D
Common Stock	02/17/2005		M		5,000	A	\$ 28.89	0	D
Common Stock	02/17/2005		M		31,000	A	\$ 35.78	0	D
Common Stock	02/17/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		1,000	D	\$ 139.98	0	D
Common Stock	02/17/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		9,000	D	\$ 140	0	D

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Common Stock	02/17/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	1,000	D	\$ 140.0019	0	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	2,000	D	\$ 140.0149	0	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	6,000	D	\$ 140.05	0	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	1,000	D	\$ 140.09	0	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	4,000	D	\$ 140.1	0	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	3,050	D	\$ 140.15	0	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	2,000	D	\$ 140.23	0	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	1,000	D	\$ 140.24	0	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	1,000	D	\$ 140.251	0	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	1,000	D	\$ 140.4	0	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	1,000	D	\$ 140.42	0	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	3,227	D	\$ 140.45	0	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	2,000	D	\$ 140.55	22,992	D	
Common Stock						2,699.1587	I	401(k) Plan ⁽²⁾

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,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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and 5)

			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 43.3828	02/17/2005	M				12/13/2000	01/29/2009	Common Stock	2,277
Employee Stock Option	\$ 28.89	02/17/2005	M				09/28/2002	09/28/2011	Common Stock	5,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 35.78	02/17/2005	M				01/25/2003	01/25/2012	Common Stock	31,000

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 Paige L. Falasco,
Attorney-in-Fact

02/22/2005

____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 November 24, 2004.

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

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