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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HOLT TIMOTHY A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AETNA INC /PA/ [AET]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Choon an approach)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
151 FARMINGTON AVENUE		NUE	05/31/2005	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. VP & Chief Investment Off.		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
HARTFORD, O	CT 06156		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
_			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	05/31/2005		M	16,618	A	\$ 21.7816	0	D			
Common Stock	05/31/2005		M	18,382	A	\$ 21.0295	0	D			
Common Stock	05/31/2005		S(1)(2)	306	D	\$ 78.16	0	D			
Common Stock	05/31/2005		S(1)(2)	174	D	\$ 78.15	0	D			
Common Stock	05/31/2005		S(1)(2)	918	D	\$ 78.13	0	D			

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Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	875	D	\$ 78.1	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	963	D	\$ 78.06	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	656	D	\$ 78.05	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	1,619	D	\$ 78.04	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	1,487	D	\$ 78.03	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	393	D	\$ 78.02	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	831	D	\$ 78.01	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	964	D	\$ 78	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	1,662	D	\$ 77.97	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	219	D	\$ 77.95	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	306	D	\$ 77.94	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	306	D	\$ 77.92	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	1,531	D	\$ 77.91	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	219	D	\$ 77.9	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	919	D	\$ 77.89	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	44	D	\$ 77.88	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	612	D	\$ 77.87	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	524	D	\$ 77.86	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	919	D	\$ 77.85	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	1,006	D	\$ 77.84	0	D
	05/31/2005	$S_{\underline{(1)(2)}}$	219	D	\$ 77.83	0	D

Common Stock							
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	351	D	\$ 77.81	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	306	D	\$ 77.8	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	437	D	\$ 77.79	0	D
Common Stock	05/31/2005	S(1)(2)	44	D	\$ 77.78	0	D

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	orDeric Secu Acqu or D (D)	uired (A) uisposed of er. 3, 4,	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 (3)	\$ 21.7816	05/31/2005		M		16,618	09/26/1998	09/26/2007	Common Stock	16,618
Employee Stock Option (3)	\$ 21.0295	05/31/2005		M		18,382	02/27/1999	02/27/2008	Common Stock	18,832

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
HOLT TIMOTHY A 151 FARMINGTON AVENUE			Sr. VP & Chief Investment Off.			
HARTFORD, CT 06156						

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Timothy A. Holt 06/02/2005

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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 Rule 10b-5 trading plan adopted by reporting person on May 2, 2005.
- (2) THIS IS FORM 1 OF 2. The number of individual Table I line entries making up the sale reported exceeds the EDGAR system's limitations and, therefore, this filing is being made in two parts.
- (3) This option has been adjusted to reflect the Company's 2-for-1 stock split on March 11, 2005.

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