

Casazza William James
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 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 * Â Casazza William James (Last) (First) (Middle) 151 FARMINGTON AVNEUE (Street) HARTFORD,Â CTÂ 06156 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 09/06/2005	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AETNA INC /PA/ [AET]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) Sr VP, Gen. Coun. & Corp. Sec.	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	20,804	D	Â
Common Stock	418	I	Held in Custodial Account for Children
Common Stock	2,689.6732 ⁽¹⁾	I	401(k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying	4. Conversion	5. Ownership	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	Ownership (Instr. 5)
Employee Stock Option	02/27/2004	02/27/2013	Common Stock	38,000	\$ 20.94	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	12/31/2004	02/13/2014	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 38.75	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	06/30/2005	02/11/2015	Common Stock	11,400	\$ 66.75	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Casazza William James 151 FARMINGTON AVNEUE HARTFORD, CT 06156	Â	Â	Â Sr VP, Gen. Coun. & Corp. Sec.	Â

Signatures

/s/ William J. Casazza 09/13/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Represents pro rata share of the stock portion of Aetna Common Stock Fund held by reporting person on August 31, 2005 pursuant to Aetna 401(k) Plan. The information is based on information provided by the Plan Trustee as of that date.

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