HOLT TIMOTHY A

Form 4

February 14, 2006

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **HOLT TIMOTHY A**

151 FARMINGTON AVENUE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

Symbol

AETNA INC /PA/ [AET]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director

10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

02/10/2006

X_ Officer (give title

below)

Sr. VP & Chief Investment Off.

(Street)

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

(Instr. 8)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

HARTFORD, CT 06156

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Following

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amo
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Secu
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)		Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
					Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or No
	Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 100.41	02/10/2006		A	52,975		02/10/2007(1)	02/10/2016	Common Stock	5
	Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	02/10/2006		A	7,470		<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	7

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HOLT TIMOTHY A 151 FARMINGTON AVENUE HARTFORD, CT 06156

Sr. VP & Chief Investment Off.

Signatures

Timothy A. Holt by Judith H. Jones, Attorney-in-Fact

02/14/2006

**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) Stock Appreciation Right granted under the Aetna Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan, exercisable in three annual installments beginning on February 10, 2007.
- (2) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a right to receive one share of Aetna Inc. Common Stock net of taxes.
- (3) Restricted Stock Units granted under the Aetna Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan, units vest on February 10, 1009.

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