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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CALLEN CRAIG R		orting Person *	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	(Check air applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
AETNA INC., 151 FARMINGTON AVENUE		RMINGTON	02/21/2006	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP, Strat. Plan. & Bus. Dev.		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
HARTFORI	O, CT 06156	5		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acquii	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactiom Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock (1)	02/21/2006		M	20,000	A	\$ 20.6875	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006		S(2)	1,000	D	\$ 50.01	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006		S(2)	1,500	D	\$ 50.04	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006		S(2)	3,000	D	\$ 50.05	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006		S(2)	5,500	D	\$ 50.1	0	D	

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Common Stock	02/21/2006	S(2)	2,000	D	\$ 50.15	0	D
Common Stock	02/21/2006	S(2)	2,000	D	\$ 50.2	0	D
Common Stock	02/21/2006	S(2)	3,000	D	\$ 50.25	0	D
Common Stock	02/21/2006	S(2)	2,000	D	\$ 50.35	4,000 (1)	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu or D	urities uired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (1)	\$ 20.6875	02/21/2006		M		20,000	12/31/2004	04/30/2014	Common Stock	20,000

Relationships

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiauonsnips							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
CALLEN CRAIG R AETNA INC. 151 FARMINGTON AVENUE HARTFORD, CT 06156			SVP, Strat. Plan. & Bus. Dev.					
Signatures								
Craig R. Callen by Paige L. Falasco, Attorney-in-Fact		02/23/20	006					
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date						

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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) On February 17, 2006, Aetna Inc.'s Common Stock was split 2-for-1, resulting in the reporting person's acquisition of additional options and shares of Common Stock.
- (2) The sale reported was effected prusuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on November 14, 2005.

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