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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Bertolini Mark T			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 all applicable)			
151 FARMINGTON AVENUE		ENUE	(Month/Day/Year) 02/09/2009	Director 10% Owner Selow) Other (specify below) President			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
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(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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/09/2009		M	7,047	A	(1)	0	D	
Common Stock	02/09/2009		F	2,217 (2)	D	\$ 34.21	0	D	
Common Stock	02/10/2009		M	13,744	A	(1)	0	D	
Common Stock	02/10/2009		F	4,323 (2)	D	\$ 32.19	79,284	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of tiorDerivative Securities) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		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
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	02/09/2009		M		7,047	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	7,047
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	02/10/2009		M		13,744	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	13,744

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Bertolini Mark T

151 FARMINGTON AVENUE President

HARTFORD, CT 06156

Signatures

Mark T. Bertolini by Judith H. Jones, Attorney-in-Fact

**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) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a right to receive one share of Aetna Inc. Common Stock net of taxes.
- (2) Represents tax withholding on vesting of previously reported Restricted Stock Units.
- (3) Restricted Stock Units granted under the Aetna Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.

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