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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HANCOCK ELLEN M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			AETNA	INC /PA	/ [AET]	(Check a	ll applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of	Earliest Tra	nsaction				
			(Month/D	ay/Year)		_X_ Director	10% Owner		
P.O. BOX 169			05/29/20	009		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		4. If Amer	ndment, Dat	e Original	6. Individual or Joint	/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Mon	th/Day/Year)		Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One	Reporting Person		
RIDGEFIELD,	CT 06877					Form filed by More Person	than One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-De	erivative Securities Acq	quired, Disposed of, or	r Beneficially Owne		
1 Title of 2	Transaction I	Date 2A Dec	emed	3	4 Securities	5 Amount of 6	7 Nature of		

(City)	(State) (Z	^{Zip)} Table	I - Non-D	- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial				
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	(Instr. 3, 4) Amount	(A) or (D) Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)			
COMMON STOCK						8,000	D				
COMMON STOCK						400	I	Held by Spouse and Stepdaughter			

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 or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day)	ate	7. Title and a Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. P Der Sec (Ins
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	05/29/2009		A	5,975	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	5,975	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
HANCOCK ELLEN M P.O. BOX 169 RIDGEFIELD, CT 06877	X							

Signatures

ELLEN M. HANCOCK, by Melinda Westbrook, Attorney in Fact 06/01/2009

**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) Units convert to Common Stock on a one-for-one basis.

Restricted Stock Units granted under the Aetna Inc. Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan (the "Plan"). Subject to terms of the Plan, units will vest in four installments on August 29, 2009 [1,493 units], November 29, 2009 [1,494 units], February 28, 2010 [1,494 units] and May 29, 2010 [1,494 units], with payment of the units deferred until May 29, 2010. Upon payment date, units will be issued in Common Stock.

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