

POPIK WILLAIM C MD
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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 *
POPIK WILLAIM C MD

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)
151 FARMINGTON AVENUE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/11/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Sr. VP & Chief Medical Officer

HARTFORD, CT 06156

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	30,193 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	106.1002 ⁽²⁾	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 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities (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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 133.5	02/11/2005		A	9,399	06/30/2005 ⁽³⁾ 02/11/2015	Common Stock	9,399

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
POPIK WILLAIM C MD 151 FARMINGTON AVENUE HARTFORD, CT 06156			Sr. VP & Chief Medical Officer	

Signatures

William C. Popik by Judith H. Jones,
 Attorney-in-Fact 02/15/2005

__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) Includes 130 shares acquired under the Aetna Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan on December 17, 2004.
- (2) Represents the pro rata portion of the stock portion of Aetna Common Stock Fund held by reporting person on January 31, 2005 pursuant to Aetna Inc. Incentive Savings Plan. The information is based on information provided by the Plan Trustee as of that date.
- (3) Option granted under the 2000 Stock Incentive Plan exercisable in three equal installments on June 30, 2005; February 11, 2007; and February 11, 2008.

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