

BENNETT ALAN M  
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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 \*  
**BENNETT ALAN M**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 151 FARMINGTON AVENUE  
 (Street)

HARTFORD, CT 06156

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**AETNA INC /PA/ [AET]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**02/21/2006**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Senior Vice President & CFO**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	02/21/2006		M		93,334	A	\$ 10.47
Common Stock	02/21/2006		S <sup>(2)</sup>		15,500	D	\$ 50
Common Stock	02/21/2006		S <sup>(2)</sup>		2,000	D	\$ 50.05
Common Stock	02/21/2006		S <sup>(2)</sup>		20,000	D	\$ 50.1
Common Stock	02/21/2006		S <sup>(2)</sup>		3,200	D	\$ 50.13

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Common Stock	02/21/2006	S <sup>(2)</sup>	9,334	D	\$ 50.15	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006	S <sup>(2)</sup>	300	D	\$ 50.16	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006	S <sup>(2)</sup>	500	D	\$ 50.17	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006	S <sup>(2)</sup>	500	D	\$ 50.19	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006	S <sup>(2)</sup>	10,000	D	\$ 50.2	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006	S <sup>(2)</sup>	600	D	\$ 50.21	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006	S <sup>(2)</sup>	1,900	D	\$ 50.22	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006	S <sup>(2)</sup>	600	D	\$ 50.23	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006	S <sup>(2)</sup>	3,600	D	\$ 50.24	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006	S <sup>(2)</sup>	14,900	D	\$ 50.25	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006	S <sup>(2)</sup>	300	D	\$ 50.27	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006	S <sup>(2)</sup>	100	D	\$ 50.29	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006	S <sup>(2)</sup>	7,500	D	\$ 50.3	0	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2006	S <sup>(2)</sup>	2,500	D	\$ 50.32	51,968 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock						5,354.9277 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	By 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	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 Acquired (A)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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