

WILLIAMS RONALD A  
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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 \*  
**WILLIAMS RONALD A**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**AETNA INC., 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)  
**11/05/2010**

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)

**Chairman and CEO**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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**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 or Price		
Common Stock	11/05/2010		M		1,200,000 A \$ 9.35	0	D
Common Stock	11/05/2010		S		1,200,000 D \$ 30.9662 (1)	0	D
Common Stock	11/08/2010		M		400,000 A \$ 9.35	0	D
Common Stock	11/08/2010		M		400,000 A \$ 10.7525	0	D
Common Stock	11/08/2010		M		400,000 A \$ 12.155	0	D

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Common Stock	11/08/2010	S	1,200,000	D	\$ 31.1227 (2)	299,128 (3)	D	
Common Stock						3,948 (4)	I	By 2002 GRAT
Common Stock						37,586 (5)	I	By 2008 GRAT

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 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 9.35	11/05/2010		M	1,200,000	03/15/2001 03/15/2011	Common Stock 1,200,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 9.35	11/08/2010		M	400,000	03/15/2001 03/15/2011	Common Stock 400,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 10.7525	11/08/2010		M	400,000	03/15/2001 03/15/2011	Common Stock 400,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 12.155	11/08/2010		M	400,000	03/15/2001 03/15/2011	Common Stock 400,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WILLIAMS RONALD A AETNA INC. 151 FARMINGTON AVENUE	X		Chairman and CEO	

HARTFORD, CT 06156

## Signatures

Ronald A. Williams by Judith H. Jones, Attorney  
-in-fact

11/09/2010

\_\_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) Average Sale Price. Range of sales was between \$30.715 and \$31.39.
- (2) Average Sale Price. Range of sales was between \$30.91 and \$31.35.
- (3) Includes 114,466 shares held in the Williams Family Trust of which Mr. Williams and his spouse are sole trustees and beneficiaries, and 604 shares acquired under the Aetna Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (4) Shares held in Grantor Retained Annuity Trust of which Mr. Williams is the sole trustee. On 2/25/10, 6,052 shares held in GRAT were transferred to the Williams Family Trust.
- (5) Shares held in Grantor Retained Annuity Trust of which Mr. Williams is the sole trustee. On 4/14/10, 27,414 shares held in GRAT were transferred to the Williams Family Trust.

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