

McCarthy Margaret 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 *
 McCarthy Margaret M

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)
 AETNA INC., 151 FARMINGTON AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/26/2010

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 CIO/SVP/Innov, Tech & Serv Ops

(Street)
 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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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Underlying Securities
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	(Instr. 3)
	Restricted Stock Units	(1) 04/26/2010			F			150.4 (2)	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	150.4	\$ 3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
McCarthy Margaret M AETNA INC. 151 FARMINGTON AVENUE HARTFORD, CT 06156			CIO/SVP/Innov, Tech & Serv Ops	

Signatures

Margaret M. McCarthy by Judith H. Jones, Attorney
-in-fact

04/28/2010

**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) 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. Upon vesting units were automatically deferred net of taxes to deferred stock unit account; dividend equivalents are reinvested.
- (3) 6954.60 represents vested deferred stock units, 7106 represents remaining unvested RSUs. RSUs were previously granted under the Aetna 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.

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