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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 * ROWE JOHN W			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AETNA INC /PA/ [AET]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Shoon an applicable)		
151 FARMINGTON AVENUE		NUE	(Month/Day/Year) 05/09/2005	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman & Chief Exec. Officer		
(Street) HARTFORD, CT 06156			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(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)	Transaction (A) or		rities Acquired Disposed of (D) , 4 and 5)  (A) or t (D) Price		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)			
Common Stock	05/09/2005		$S_{(1)(2)}^{(1)(2)}$	200	D	\$ 77.92	0	I	By GRATS			
Common Stock	05/09/2005		S(1)(2)	100	D	\$ 77.97	0	I	By GRATS			
Common Stock	05/09/2005		S(1)(2)	300	D	\$ 77.98	0	I	By GRATS			
Common Stock	05/09/2005		S(1)(2)	300	D	\$ 78	0	I	By GRATS			
Common Stock	05/09/2005		S(1)(2)	100	D	\$ 78.01	0	I	By GRATS			

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Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	400	D	\$ 78.03	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	800	D	\$ 78.04	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	600	D	\$ 78.05	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	400	D	\$ 78.08	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/02/2005	S(1)(2)	200	D	\$ 78.1	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	300	D	\$ 78.11	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	500	D	\$ 78.18	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	300	D	\$ 78.19	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	1,300	D	\$ 78.2	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	200	D	\$ 78.21	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	300	D	\$ 78.22	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	700	D	\$ 76.45	0	I	by GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	300	D	\$ 76.52	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	100	D	\$ 76.64	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	1,800	D	\$ 76.67	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	900	D	\$ 76.71	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	800	D	\$ 76.74	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	300	D	\$ 76.75	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	1,900	D	\$ 76.76	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	400	D	\$ 76.77	0	I	By GRATS
	05/09/2005	$S_{\underline{(1)(2)}}$	700	D		0	I	

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Common Stock					\$ 76.78			By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	1,400	D	\$ 76.79	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	100	D	\$ 76.81	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	1,000	D	\$ 76.82	0	I	By GRATS
Common Stock	05/09/2005	S(1)(2)	500	D	\$ 76.84	0	I	By GRATS

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transac	ctionNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day	/Year)	Under	lying	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	B) Derivativ	ve		Securi	ities	(Instr. 5)
	Derivative				Securitie	s		(Instr.	3 and 4)	
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					Disposed	i				
					of (D)					
					(Instr. 3,					
					4, and 5)					
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						Date	Expiration		or	
						Exercisable	•	Title	Number	
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				Code	V (A) (D)				Shares	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
ROWE JOHN W 151 FARMINGTON AVENUE HARTFORD, CT 06156	X		Chairman & Chief Exec. Officer					
Signatures								

Signatures

John W. Rowe by Judith H. Jones, Attorney-in-Fact 05/11/2005

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\*\*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) The sale reported was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the John W. Rowe 2004 GRAT on March 4, 2005 and a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the John W. Rowe 2003 GRAT on March 4, 2005.
- (2) THIS IS FORM 2 OF 3. The number of individual Table I line entries making up the sale reported exceeds the EDGAR system's limitations and, therefore, this filing is being made in three parts.

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