

AETNA INC /PA/
Form 8-K
February 10, 2005

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**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):

February 10, 2005

Aetna Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania

1-16095

23-2229683

(State or other jurisdiction of

(Commission

(I.R.S.

incorporation or organization)

File Number)

Employer

Identification

No.)

151 Farmington Avenue, Hartford, CT

06156

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(860) 273-0123

Former name or former address, if changed since last report:

Not applicable

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
 - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Section 2 Financial Information

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 10, 2005, Aetna Inc. issued a press release announcing results for the fourth quarter and full-year ended December 31, 2004. A copy of that press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and hereby incorporated in this Item 2.02 by reference.

The information in this Form 8-K shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (as amended, the Exchange Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release of Aetna Inc. dated February 10, 2005 announcing results for the fourth quarter and the full-year ended December 31, 2004

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

AETNA INC.

Date: February 10, 2005

By: */s/ Ronald M. Olejniczak*
Name: *Ronald M. Olejniczak*
Title: *Vice President and Controller*

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