ROWE JOHN W Form 4 February 03, 2003

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Rowe John W.				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Aetna Inc. (AET)							6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) c/o Aetna Inc. 151 Farmingtor	of Reporting Person,					4. Statement for Month/Day/Year 10 01/30/03		\(\text{ Director} \) \(\text{ Owner} \) \(\text{ Officer (give title below)} \) \(\text{ Dther (specify below)} \)					
								hairman and fficer	Chief Executive				
(Street) Hartford, CT 06156								Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)		/. Individual or Joint/Group Filing Check Applicable Line) K Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	1	able	e I Non-De	erivativ	e Secu	Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Trans- 2A. Deemed Execution Execution (Instr. 3) Date Date, (Month/ Day/ if any			3. Trans- action 4. Securities Acquire or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)							ship Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
	Year)	(Month/Day/ Year)	Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	ing Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	01/30/03		M		20,000(11)	A			21,000	D			
Common Stock								151	.4801 <u>(1)</u>	I	401(K) Plan		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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FORM 4 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially **Owned**

(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conver-	3. Trans-	3A.	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable	7. Title and Amount of	8. Price of	9. Number of			
Security	sion or	action	Deemed	Trans-	Derivative	and Expiration	Underlying Securities	Derivative	Derivative			
	Exercise	Date	Execution	action	Securities	Date	(Instr. 3 & 4)	Security	Securities			
(Instr. 3)	Price of		Date,	Code	Acquired (A) or	(Month/Day/		(Instr. 5)	Beneficially			

^{*} If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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		Day/ Year)	 (Instr. 8) Code	r.	(Instr. 3,	(D)	Date	Expira-	xpira- Title	Amount or]	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s
							Exer-cisable	tion Date		Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)(2)	\$26.3245								Common Stock	623,232		623,2
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽²⁾	\$35.0116								Common Stock	415,488		415,4
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)(3)	\$35.0116						(3)		Common Stock	207,744		207,74
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽⁴⁾	\$26.1500								COMMON STOCK	ŕ		250,0
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)		01/25/02	A	V	350,000		(5)		COMMON STOCK	350,000		350,0
RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS(6)	1 for 1								COMMON STOCK	51,994.0979		51,994.09
UNIT AWARD(7)	1 for 1	06/28/02	A	V	50,000		(7)		COMMON STOCK	50,000	 	50,0
UNIT AWARD(8)	1 for 1	01/30/03	A	<u> </u>	60,000		01/30/03		COMMON STOCK	60,000		
UNIT AWARD(9)	1 for 1	01/30/03	D	<u> </u>		100,000			COMMON STOCK	100,000	\$43.32	
UNIT AWARD(10)	1 for 1	01/30/03	M			20,000			COMMON STOCK	20,000		

Explanation of Responses:

16b-3(d)(1).

- (1) Represents pro rata share of the stock portion of Aetna Common Stock Fund held by reporting person on Decembert 31, 2002 pursuant to Aetna Incentive Savings Plan. The information is based on information provided by the Plan Trustee as of that date.
- (2) Previously reported; exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning on September 15, 2001.
- (3) Previously reported; exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning on December 14, 2001.
- (4) Previosuly reported; exercisable in two equal annual installments beginning June 18, 2002.
- (5) Option granted under 2002 Stock Incentive Plan; exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning January 25, 2003.
- (6) Previously reported; represents restricted stock units which vest in three installments beginning in September 2001; upon vesting units are automatically deferred to stock unit account; dividend equivalents are reinvested in deferred stock unit account.
- (7) The award vests upon achievement of certain performance criteria and is payable in cash or shares of the Company's Common Stock at the discretion of the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors; however, if such units do not vest before December 31, 2006, 50% of the performance units will then be payable in shares of the Company's Common Stock provided reporting person is an active employee on that date.
- (8) Represents vesting of additional performance units upon attainment of specified performance criteria and is payable in cash or shares of the Company's Common Stock at the discretion of the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors.
- (9) Represents vesting of performance units and mandatory settlement of a portion of the units in cash in a transaction exempt under 16b-3(e). (10) Represents vesting of performance units and mandatory settlement of a portion of the units in stock in a transaction exempt under
- (11) Represents shares acquired in connection with vesting of performance units.

By: /s/ John W. Rowe
by Judith H. Jones, Attorney in Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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**Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of William and Christopher M. Todoroff, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact t

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Aetna Inc., a Pennsylvania corporation ("Aetna"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary of desirable to complete and execute any such Forms 3, 4, or 5 and timely file such Form with the Unsecurities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally requiby, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall cont such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discret

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and per any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the riand powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Comparassuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by Aetna, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 2

Signature: /s/John W. Rowe
John W. Rowe