

Shah Parag

Form 4

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FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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1(b).**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Shah Parag

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O HERCULES TECHNOLOGY
GROWTH CAPITAL, 31 ST.
JAMES AVE., SUITE 790

(Street)

BOSTON, MA 02116

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
SymbolHERCULES TECHNOLOGY
GROWTH CAPITAL INC [HTGC]3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

03/17/2009

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)

Senior Managing Director

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person**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)
Common Stock \$0.001 par value	03/17/2009		A	45,000 (1)	A 106,251	D	

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 4.21	03/17/2009		A		250,000		<u>(2)</u>	03/17/2016	Common Stock; \$0.001 par value	250,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Shah Parag C/O HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL 31 ST. JAMES AVE., SUITE 790 BOSTON, MA 02116	Senior Managing Director

Signatures

/s/Scott Harvey, Attorney-in-Fact for Parag Shah 03/19/2009

__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) Shares issued as a grant pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2007 Equity Incentive Plan and are subject to forfeiture restrictions of one-fourth lapsing on 3/17/2010, one-fourth lapsing on 3/17/2011, one-fourth lapsing on 3/17/2012 and one-fourth lapsing on 3/17/2013.
- (2) One-third of the options vest on 03/17/2010 and two-thirds of the options vest prorata over the following twenty four months ending 03/17/2012.

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