AETNA INC /PA/ Form 8-K October 27, 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):

October 27, 2005

Aetna Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania1-1609523-2229683(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission incorporation)(I.R.S. Employer incorporation)

151 Farmington Avenue, Hartford, CT

06156

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

(860) 273-0123

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:

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 - Exchange Act
 - (17 CFR
 - 240.14a-12)
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Section 2 Financial Information

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 27, 2005, Aetna Inc. issued a press release announcing results for the quarter ended September 30, 2005. 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 October 27, 2005

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: October 27, 2005 By: /s/ Ronald M. Olejniczak

Name: Ronald M. Olejniczak

Title: Vice President and Controller

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Exhibit

Number Description

Exhibit 99.1 Press release of Aetna Inc. dated October 27, 2005