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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):

June 29, 2006

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, CT06156(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:

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Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

On June 29, 2006, the Aetna Inc. (Aetna) Board of Directors appointed Frank M. Clark a director of Aetna effective immediately. With the appointment of Mr. Clark, Aetna s Board consists of thirteen directors.

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: June 30, 2006 By: /s/ Ronald M. Olejniczak

Name: Ronald M. Olejniczak

Title: Vice President and Controller

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