

HERCULES INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
DAHLEN RICHARD G

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**HERCULES PLAZA, 1313 N.
MARKET STREET**

(Street)

WILMINGTON, DE 19894-0001

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HERCULES INC [HPC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
07/10/2008

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)

Chief Legal Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Price				
Common Stock	07/10/2008		M	V	15,500	A	\$ 11.28	90,050 ⁽¹⁾	D
Common Stock	07/10/2008		M	V	21,500	A	\$ 11.91	111,550 ⁽¹⁾	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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 11.28	07/10/2008		M ⁽²⁾	15,500	08/25/2003 ⁽³⁾ 08/23/2011	Common Stock	15,500
Stock Option	\$ 11.91	07/10/2008		M ⁽²⁾	21,500	05/09/2003 ⁽⁴⁾ 05/09/2012	Common Stock	21,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DAHLEN RICHARD G HERCULES PLAZA 1313 N. MARKET STREET WILMINGTON, DE 19894-0001			Chief Legal Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Richard G. Dahlen 07/14/2008
 **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) 6,899 shares are held indirectly through the Company's 401K plan
- (2) Exercise of options from issuer in a non-market transaction; shares underlying the exercise of the options continue to be held by the reporting person.
- (3) The options were part of a grant of options vesting in installments on August 23,2002, August 25, 2003 & August 23, 2004.
- (4) The options were part of a grant of options vesting in installments on May 9, 2003, May 10, 2004 & May 9, 2005.

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