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Aetna Inc. Final Term Sheet

\$500,000,000 4.125% Senior Notes due June 1, 2021

Issuer: Aetna Inc. Ratings (Moody s/S&P/Fitch): Baa1/A-/A- (1) Note Type: Senior Notes Legal Format: **SEC** Registered Principal Amount: \$500,000,000 Trade Date: May 17, 2011 Settlement Date (T+3 days): May 20, 2011 June 1, 2021 Maturity Date: 4.125% Coupon: Semi-annual Interest Payment Frequency:

Interest Payment Dates: December 1 and June 1
First Pay Date: December 1, 2011

Day Count: 30/360

Pricing Benchmark: 3.125% due May 2021

Benchmark Spot: 100-02
Benchmark Yield: 3.118%
Reoffer Spread to Benchmark: +118 bps
Reoffer Yield: 4.298%
Price to Public / Reoffer Price: 98.601%
Underwriting Fees: 0.65%

Use of Proceeds: Majority of the net proceeds are expected to be used to repay the Issuer s 5.75%

senior notes when due at maturity on June 15, 2011, and in the interim for general corporate purposes, including the repayment of the Issuer s short-term debt.

Optional Redemption: At any time prior to March 1, 2021, at the greater of 100% of the principal amount

of the notes or at a make-whole using a discount rate of Treasury plus 20 basis

points.

At any time on or after March 1, 2021, at 100% of the principal amount of the

notes.

Minimum Denomination: \$2,000 and multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof

Joint Book-Running Goldman, Sachs & Co.
Managers: J.P. Morgan Securities LLC

Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated

Citigroup Global Markets Inc.

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith

Incorporated

Wells Fargo Securities, LLC

Co-Managers: Mitsubishi UFJ Securities (USA), Inc.

Barclays Capital Inc.

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BNY Mellon Capital Markets, LLC Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC Fifth Third Securities, Inc. PNC Capital Markets LLC RBS Securities Inc.

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SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.

UBS Securities LLC

U.S. Bancorp Investments, Inc.

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