

HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL INC
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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 *
 Stettenbenz Shane

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL INC [HTGC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 918 ANGELUS WAY
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/25/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Technology Officer

DEL REY OAKS, CA 93940

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (A) or (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock \$0.001 par value | 02/25/2008 | | A | | 8,500 (1) | A | (1) 12,040 (2) 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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Options to Purchase Common Stock | \$ 12.2 | 02/25/2008 | | A | 17,908 | ⁽³⁾ 02/15/2015 | Common Stock: \$0.001 par value | 17,908 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Stettenbenz Shane 918 ANGELUS WAY DEL REY OAKS, CA 93940 | | | Chief Technology Officer | |

Signatures

/s/Scott Harvey, Attorney-in-Fact for Shane Stettenbenz

 **Signature of Reporting Person
 02/27/2008
 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 an automatic grant pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2007 Equity Incentive Plan and are subject to forfeiture restrictions of 1/4 lapsing on 2/25/09 and the remaining 3/4 lapsing prorata over the following 36 months ending 2/25/2012.
- (2) Includes shares acquired through the Hercules Technology Growth Capital, Inc.'s Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (3) One-third of the options vest on 02/25/09 and two-thirds of the options vest prorata over the following twenty four months ending 02/25/11.

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