CHOW JOSEPH W

Form 5

Common Stock

\$0.001 par value

12/31/2008

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OMB APPROVAL FORM 5 **OMB** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION 3235-0362 Number: Washington, D.C. 20549 Check this box if January 31, Expires: no longer subject 2005 to Section 16. Estimated average ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL Form 4 or Form burden hours per 5 obligations OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES response... 1.0 may continue. See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 1(b). Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Reported 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Form 4 Transactions Reported 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer CHOW JOSEPH W Symbol HERCULES TECHNOLOGY (Check all applicable) GROWTH CAPITAL INC [HTGC] (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Last) (First) _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 12/31/2008 C/O HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL, 400 HAMILTON AVE., SUITE 310 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line) PALO ALTO, Â CAÂ 94301 _X_ Form Filed by One Reporting Person _ Form Filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Acquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned at end Indirect (I) Ownership of Issuer's (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) (A) Fiscal Year or (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount (D) Price Common Stock 5,000 Â Â 05/29/2008 Α A \$ (1) 54,631 D (1) \$0.001 par value

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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 A Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4	ecurities
					(A) ((D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Numbe of Shar
Options to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 10.39	05/29/2008	Â	A	15,000	Â	(3)	05/29/2018	Commont Stock \$0.001 par value	15,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CHOW JOSEPH W

C/O HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL 400 HAMILTON AVE., SUITE 310 PALO ALTO. CAÂ 94301

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Signatures

/s/Scott Harvey, Attorney-in-fact for Joseph W. Chow

02/11/2009

**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) Shares issued as an automatic grant pursuant to the Amended and Restated 2006 Non-Employee Director Plan and are subject to forfeiture restrictions of 1/3 lapsing on 5/29/2009, 1/3 lapsing on 5/29/2010 and 1/3 lapsing on 5/29/2011.
- (2) Shares acquired through the Hercules Technology Growth Capital, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- One third of the options vest on 5/29/2009, one third of the options vest on 5/29/2010 and the final one third of the options vest on 5/29/2011.

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