

Denomme Mark  
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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 \*  
Denomme Mark

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)

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senior Managing Director

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O HERCULES TECHNOLOGY  
GROWTH CAPITAL, 31 ST.  
JAMES AVE., SUITE 790  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/20/2010

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BOSTON, MA 02116  
(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 \$0.001 par value	12/20/2010		M	15,693	A \$ 4.21	54,038	D
Common Stock \$0.001 par value	12/20/2010		F	8,745	D \$ 10.29	45,293	D

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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
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 4.21	12/20/2010		M	15,693	<u>(1)</u> 03/17/2016	Common Stock	15,693

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Denomme Mark C/O HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL 31 ST. JAMES AVE., SUITE 790 BOSTON, MA 02116	Director 10% Owner Officer Other  Senior Managing Director

## Signatures

/s/Scott Harvey, Attorney-in-Fact for Mark Denomme 12/22/2010  
 \*\*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) Remaining options under this grant vest monthly prorata ending 03/17/2012.

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