

Shah Parag
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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 *
Shah Parag

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)

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

09/17/2010

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

Senior Managing Director

C/O HERCULES TECHNOLOGY
GROWTH CAPITAL, 31 ST.
JAMES AVE., SUITE 790

(Street)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock \$0.001 par value	09/17/2010		M		3,295	A	\$ 4.21
					225,959	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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 4.21	09/17/2010		M	3,295	⁽¹⁾ 03/17/2016	Common Stock	3,295

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

/s/Scott Harvey, Attorney-in-Fact for Parag Shah 09/20/2010

**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) One-third of the options vested on 03/17/2010 and two-thirds of the options vest prorata over the following twenty four months ending 03/17/2012.

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