

HERCULES TECHNOLOGY GROWTH CAPITAL INC  
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**FORM 4**

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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)  
 8 WINTER PLACE, APT. #6H  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/30/2008

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

BOSTON, MA 02114  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 (D) Price		
Common Stock \$0.001 par value	07/30/2008		A		5,000 <u>(1)</u>	A	<u>(1)</u> 56,440 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	\$ 9.92	07/30/2008		A	15,500	(2) 07/30/2015	Common Stock \$0.001 par value	15,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Shah Parag 8 WINTER PLACE, APT. #6H BOSTON, MA 02114			Senior Managing Director	

## Signatures

/s/Scott Harvey, Attorney-in-Fact for Parag Shah  
08/11/2008  
\*\*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 2007 Equity Incentive Plan and are subject to forfeiture restrictions of 1/4 lapsing on 7/30/09, 1/4 lapsing on 7/30/10, 1/4 lapsing on 7/30/11 and the remaining 1/4 lapsing on 7/30/2012.
- (2) One-third of the options vest on 07/30/09 and two-thirds of the options vest prorata over the following twenty four months ending 07/30/11.

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