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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Pe Shah Parag	2. Issuer Name and HERCULES THE CAPITAL INC	ECHNOI	206	U .		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director X_Officer (give title below) Senior Managing Director				
(Last) (First) C/O HERCULES TECHNOLO CAPITAL, 31 ST. JAMES AV		3. Date of Earliest 12/16/2011	Transaction	n (Mo	onth/Day/	Year)	Senior Managing	Director		
(Street) BOSTON, MA 02116	4. If Amendment, I	Date Origin	al Fi	led(Month/I	Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(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)	Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership Form: 0f In Bene	Beneficial
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock \$0.001 par value	12/16/2011		F		695 <mark>(1)</mark>	D	\$ 9.38	284,152	D	
Common Stock \$0.001 par value	12/17/2011		F		298 <mark>(2)</mark>	D	\$ 9.38	283,854	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	2.	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	4.		5.		6. Date Exer	cisable	7. Tit	tle and	8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature
Derivative	Conversion	Date	Execution Date, if	Transacti	ion	Numl	ber	and Expirati	on Date	Amo	unt of	Derivative	Derivative	Ownership	of Indirect
Security	or Exercise	(Month/Day/Year)	any	Code		of		(Month/Day	/Year)	Unde	erlying	Security	Securities	Form of	Beneficial
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Deriv	ative			Secu	rities	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Derivative	Ownership
	Derivative					Secur				(Instr	: 3 and		Owned	Security:	(Instr. 4)
	Security					Acqu	ired			4)			0	Direct (D)	
						(A) 0							1	or Indirect	
						Disposed							Transaction(s)		
						of (D)							(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
						(Instr. 3,									
						4, and 5)									
											Amount				
								Date	Expiration		or				
								Exercisable	*	Title	Number				
								LACICISADIC	Date		of				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)				Shares				

Reporting Owners

	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	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

Date

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- * 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) Represents shares of common stock withheld to pay taxes applicable to the vesting of restricted stock on December 16, 2011.
- (2) Represents shares of common stock withheld to pay taxes applicable to the vesting of restricted stock on December 17, 2011.

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