DANAHER CORP /DE/ Form 4

May 06, 2005

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

DITKOFF JAMES H

(First) (Middle) (Last)

2099 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE,

NW. 12TH FLOOR

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

DANAHER CORP /DE/ [DHR]

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

05/04/2005

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

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify

X_ Officer (give title below) below)

Senior VP-Finance & Tax

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(City) (State)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

WASHINGTON, DC 20006

(Zip)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported Transaction(s)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed o (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ed of				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shar
Performance based restricted stock units	(1)	05/04/2005		A		24,000		(2)	05/04/2014	Common Stock	24,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DITKOFF JAMES H 2099 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW 12TH FLOOR WASHINGTON, DC 20006

Senior VP-Finance & Tax

Signatures

James F. O'Reilly, attorney-in-fact for James H.

Ditkoff

05/05/2005

**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) Each performance based restricted stock unit represents a right to receive one share of Company Common Stock.

On May 4, 2005, the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors awarded the reporting person 24,000 performance based restricted stock units. These restricted stock units vest upon the fifth anniversary of the grant date and the satisfaction of specified performance criteria. This Form 4 is being filed in connection with the determination by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors that the performance criteria of the award have been achieved.

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