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FORM 4

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

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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 ** Korb Brent L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol QUANEX CORP [NX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH, SUITE 1500			(Month/Day/Year) 12/30/2005	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP-Corporate Controller		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
HOUSTON, TX 77027			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Securities Form: Direct India Beneficially (D) or Bene Owned Indirect (I) Owr Following (Instr. 4) (Inst	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/30/2005	01/03/2006	Code V <u>J(1)</u>	Amount 0.639	or (D)	Price \$ 50.68	(Instr. 3 and 4) 1,578.398	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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units (2)	\$ 0 (3)	12/30/2005		A	3.814	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	3.814
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 26.1					11/24/2004	11/24/2013	Common Stock	2,250
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 39.4667					12/01/2005	12/01/2014	Common Stock	2,250
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 53.07					02/01/2005	02/01/2015	Common Stock	3,500
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 61.42					12/01/2006	12/01/2015	Common Stock	2,600

Reporting Owners

John J. Mannion, Power of

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Korb Brent L 1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH SUITE 1500 HOUSTON, TX 77027			VP-Corporate Controller					
Signatures								

Attorney 01/03/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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).
- (3) Conversion price is 1-for-1.
- (1) Acquired through Quanex Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
 - All units credited under the Deferred Compensation Plan are 100% vested at all times; provided, however, that if a participant receives a benefit from the Deferred Compensation Plan for any reason other than death, disability or retirement within three years after a deferral is
- (4) credited to a participant's account, any matching awards made by the Company with respect to such deferral will be forfeited.

 Distributions under the Deferred Compensation Plan are made beginning on a specified date selected bythe participant or upon a participant's death, disability, or termination of employment.
- (2) Units that are credited to the participant's account under the Quanex Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan as a result of Dividend Reinvestment.

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