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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FLAUM RUSSELL M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

QUANEX CORP [NX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 8)

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

1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH, SUITE

(Street)

12/30/2005

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

1500

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

Applicable Line)

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

HOUSTON, TX 77027

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

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

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Following Reported Transaction(s) (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 Conversion Security or Exercise

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

5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Transactionof **Expiration Date** Code Derivative (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Underlying Securities Dε (Instr. 3 and 4) Se

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (2)	12/30/2005		A	12.6	(3)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	12.6	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 12.1667					12/02/1999	12/01/2008	Common Stock	3,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 13.2083					10/31/2000	10/31/2010	Common Stock	3,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 14.4583					05/01/2000	10/31/2009	Common Stock	3,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 17.3333					10/31/2001	10/31/2011	Common Stock	3,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 23.6933					10/31/2002	10/31/2012	Common Stock	3,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 26.7					10/31/2003	10/31/2013	Common Stock	3,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 33.8					10/31/2004	10/31/2014	Common Stock	3,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 57.91					10/31/2005	10/31/2015	Common Stock	2,028	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FLAUM RUSSELL M 1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH SUITE 1500 HOUSTON, TX 77027

X

Signatures

John J. Mannion, Power of Attorney

01/03/2006

**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).
- (2) Conversion price is 1-for-1.
 - 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
- (3) 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.
- (1) 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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