

AVOCENT CORP  
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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 \*  
THORNTON STEPHEN F

(Last) (First) (Middle)

4991 CORPORATE DRIVE

(Street)

HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AVOCENT CORP [AVCT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/05/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	08/05/2005		M	45,000 A \$ 12	202,065	D	
Common Stock	08/05/2005		S	45,000 D \$ 33.04	157,065	D	
Common Stock					49,248	I	Spouse
Common Stock					140,422	I	GP of LP

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 12	08/05/2005		M	45,000	04/23/1999 <sup>(1)</sup>	04/23/2009	Common Stock	45,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 26.94					05/02/2000 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/02/2010	Common Stock	30,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 52.44					09/18/2000 <sup>(3)</sup>	09/18/2010	Common Stock	225,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 22.36					05/25/2001 <sup>(4)</sup>	05/25/2011	Common Stock	60,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 21.77					04/15/2002 <sup>(5)</sup>	04/15/2012	Common Stock	30,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 27.25					03/07/2003 <sup>(5)</sup>	03/07/2013	Common Stock	30,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 40.98					02/05/2004 <sup>(5)</sup>	02/05/2014	Common Stock	10,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 26.14					06/30/2005 <sup>(6)</sup>	06/30/2015	Common Stock	4,200

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

