

AVOCENT CORP
Form 4
April 27, 2006

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
THOMAS CHRISTOPHER L

(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)
04/25/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Senior VP, Engineering

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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)
Common Stock	04/25/2006		A	(A) or (D) Amount 15,398 (4)	\$ 0	16,398	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. 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)		8. D S (
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 52.44					09/18/2000 ⁽¹⁾	09/18/2010	Common Stock	175,000	
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 27.25					03/07/2003 ⁽²⁾	03/07/2013	Common Stock	40,000	
Option (rights to buy)	\$ 40.98					02/05/2004 ⁽²⁾	02/05/2014	Common Stock	30,000	
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 28.96					08/19/2004 ⁽²⁾	08/19/2014	Common Stock	10,000	
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 26.14					06/30/2005 ⁽³⁾	06/30/2015	Common Stock	7,200	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
THOMAS CHRISTOPHER L 4991 CORPORATE DRIVE HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805	Senior VP, Engineering

Signatures

Doyle C. Weeks as attorney-in-fact for Christopher L
Thomas 04/27/2006

__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).
- (1) Grant date, 15% vests every 6 months for the first 12 months, 6.25% vests every three months for the following twelve months and 5% vests every three months for the final 12 months.

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- (2) Grant date, 25% vests after 6 months, 7.5% vests every three months for final 10 quarters.
- (3) Grant date, 100% vests on December 31, 2005.
- (4) These are time-based restricted shares: 4645 shares vest equally over two years, 50% on January 1, 2007 and 50% on January 1, 2008; 10753 shares vest equally over three years, 1/3 on January 1, 2007, 1/3 on January 1, 2008 and 1/3 on January 1, 2009.

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