

CANCERVAX CORP  
Form 4  
March 22, 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 \*  
**HALE DAVID F**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**2110 RUTHERFORD ROAD**

(Street)

**CARLSBAD, CA 92008**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**CANCERVAX CORP [CNVX]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**03/20/2006**

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)

President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ 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**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V                                                                          | Amount                                                                                                             | (A)<br>or<br>(D)                                                     | Price                                                             |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 03/20/2006                              |                                                             | A                                    |                                                                            | 42,702                                                                                                             | A                                                                    | \$ 0 42,702                                                       |
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                            | 4,544                                                                                                              | I                                                                    | By Family<br>Trust <sup>(1)</sup>                                 |
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                            | 231,553                                                                                                            | I                                                                    | By Family<br>Trust <sup>(2)</sup>                                 |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4, and<br>5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                    |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V (A) (D)                                                                                                 | Date Exercisable<br>Expiration<br>Date                         | Title<br>Amount<br>Number<br>Shares                              |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>buy)                | \$ 2.87                                                            | 03/20/2006                              |                                                             | A                                    | 100,000                                                                                                   | 04/20/2006 <sup>(3)</sup> 03/19/2016                           | Common<br>Stock 100,000                                          |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                             | Relationships                    |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                                            | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| HALE DAVID F<br>2110 RUTHERFORD ROAD<br>CARLSBAD, CA 92008 | X President and CEO              |

## Signatures

/s/ William R. LaRue  
Attorney-in-fact

03/22/2006

\_\_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).

By Michael T. Hale Trust dated December 26, 1991 for the benefit of Shane Hale, Tara Hale, Erin Hale and David Garrett Hale. The

- (1) reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission beneficial ownership for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (2) By Hale Family Trust dated February 10, 1986.
- (3) 1/48 vest monthly beginning on 04/20/2006
- (4) Not applicable to this transaction.

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