## QUANEX CORP

Form 4
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| See Instruction | 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 |  |
| 1(b). |  |  |

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *ROSS JOSEPH J |  |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol |
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|  |  |  | QUANEX CORP [NX] |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) |
| 1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH, SUITE 1500 |  |  | 08/28/2007 |
| (Street) |  |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |

HOUSTON, TX 77027
5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
X__ Director
$\overline{\text { below) }}$ Officer (give title
$\frac{10 \% \text { Owner }}{\text { below) }}$ Other (specify
6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
Form filed by More than One Reporting Person


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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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and | 7. Title and Amount of |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Derivative | Conversion <br> Security | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | TransactiorDerivative | Expiration Date <br> (Morcise |  | any |

$\begin{array}{ll}\text { (Instr. 3) } & \text { Price of } \\ & \text { Derivative } \\ & \text { Security }\end{array}$
(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)
(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount or
Number of Share

Phantom
Stock $\quad \$ 0 \underline{(2)} \quad 08 / 28 / 2007$
Units (1)
Phantom
Stock
$\$ 0$ (2) $08 / 28 / 2007$
Units ${ }^{(4)}$
Restricted
Stock
Units
Stock

| Options <br> (Right to <br> buy) | $\$ 11.5333$ | $10 / 31 / 2001$ | $10 / 31 / 2011$ | Common <br> Suy |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Stock |  |  |  |  |

Stock
Options
(Right to
buy)

| A | 80.626 | $\underline{(3)}$ | $\underline{(3)}$ | Common <br> Stock |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 80.626 |  |  |  |  |


| A | (3) | (3) | Common <br> Stock 403.13 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | $\underline{(6)}$ | $\underline{(6)}$ | Common <br> Stock | 746 |


| $10 / 31 / 2002$ | $10 / 31 / 2012$ | Common <br> Stock |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4,500 |  |  |

Stock

| Options <br> (Right to <br> buy) | $\$ 15.9333$ | $05 / 23 / 2003$ | $05 / 22 / 2012$ | Common <br> Stock | 13,500 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Stock |  |  |  |  |  |

Stock

| Options <br> (Right to <br> buy) | $\$ 22.5333$ | $10 / 31 / 2004$ | $10 / 31 / 2014$ | Common <br> Stock | 4,500 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Stock |  |  |  |  |  |

Stock

| Options |
| :--- |
| (Right to <br> buy) |$\$ 38.6067 \times 10 / 31 / 2005 \quad 10 / 31 / 2015$| Common | Stock |
| :---: | :---: |

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

## Relationships

Director 10\% Owner Officer Other

## ROSS JOSEPH J

1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH
SUITE 1500
HOUSTON, TX 77027

## Signatures

John J. Mannion, Power of Attorney
${ }_{-}^{* *}$ Signature of Reporting Person

08/29/2007
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) Represents units credited to a participant's account under the Deferred Compensation Plan as a result of the Company's $20 \%$ matching award of the participant's deferral of income or fees, as the case may be.
(6) The restricted stock

Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive cash in an amount equivalent to the value of one share of NX common stock.
(4) Units that are credited to the participants account under the Quanex Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan as a result of the participant's deferral of income or fees, as the case may be.
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