QUANEX CORP Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ROSS JOSEPH J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

QUANEX CORP [NX]

(First) (Middle) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH, SUITE

12/02/2004

Officer (give title below)

1500

4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street)

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 8)

(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

(Instr. 4)

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

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

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

(Instr. 4)

Reported

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration	7. Title and Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	onof	Date	Underlying Securities
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Derivative	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)

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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		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 25.95				10/31/2001	10/31/2011	Common Stock	2,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 35.54				10/31/2002	10/31/2012	Common Stock	2,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 35.85				05/23/2003	05/22/2012	Common Stock	6,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 40.05				10/31/2003	10/31/2013	Common Stock	2,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 50.7				10/31/2004	10/31/2014	Common Stock	2,000
Phantom Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (2)	12/02/2004	A	169	12/02/2004(3)	08/08/1988(3)	Common Stock	169
Phantom Stock Units (4)	\$ 0 (2)	12/02/2004	A	34	12/02/2004(3)	08/08/1988(3)	Common Stock	34

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
ROSS JOSEPH J					
1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH	X				
SUITE 1500	Λ				
HOUSTON, TX 77027					

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Terry M. Murphy, Power of Attorney

12/06/2004

**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) 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.
- (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.
- (4) 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.

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