

QUANEX CORP
Form 4
February 28, 2005

FORM 4

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

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BALLOU ROBERT C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH, SUITE
1500**

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77027

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
QUANEX CORP [NX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/25/2005

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 ____X____ Other (specify
below) below)

President - Vehicular Products

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/25/2005		M		6,400	A	\$ 26.4
Common Stock	02/25/2005		S		6,400	D	\$ 58
							15,475.92
							9,075.92

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 or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 21.3333					12/05/2003 12/04/2012	Common Stock 9,500.5
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 24					07/30/2003 07/30/2012	Common Stock 7,500
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 26.4	02/25/2005		M ⁽¹⁾	6,400	12/04/2004 12/03/2013	Common Stock 6,400
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 39.4667					12/01/2005 12/01/2014	Common Stock 19,950
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0					12/31/2004 08/08/1988	Common Stock 3,941.63

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
BALLOU ROBERT C 1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH SUITE 1500 HOUSTON, TX 77027	President - Vehicular Products

Signatures

Terry M. Murphy, Power of Attorney 02/28/2005

**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) Options exercised under the Quanex Corporation 1996 Employee Stock Option Plan.

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