SMITH EDWARD J

Form 4

March 19, 2010

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SMITH EDWARD J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COGNEX CORP [CGNX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
ONE VISION	DRIVE		(Month/Day/Year) 03/18/2010	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
NATICK, MA	01760		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reportin Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) <b>Tab</b> l	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(IIIsti. +)	
Common Stock	03/18/2010		M	3,750	A	\$ 18.7	3,750	D	
Common Stock	03/18/2010		S	3,750	D	\$ 19.606	0	D	
Common Stock	03/18/2010		M	1,687	A	\$ 18.7	1,687	D	
Common Stock	03/18/2010		S	1,687	D	\$ 19.606	0	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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 Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Share
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.7	03/18/2010		M	3,750	02/19/2009	02/19/2018	Common Stock	3,7
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.7	03/18/2010		M	1,687	02/19/2010	02/19/2018	Common Stock	1,6

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
SMITH EDWARD J ONE VISION DRIVE NATICK, MA 01760	X							

### **Signatures**

Edward J. Smith 03/19/2010

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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