#### PRITCHETT DOUGLAS E

Form 4

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## FORM 4

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PRITCHETT DOUGLAS E			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVOCENT CORP [AVCT]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 4991 CORPORATE DRIVE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/30/2005					(Check all applicable)  Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
(Street) HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(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			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Aca	Person uired, Disposed o	f. or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)		ned n Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi	ties A	cquired d of (D)	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	
Common Stock	12/30/2005			P P	47 <u>(7)</u>	A	\$ 23.09	9,311	D		
Common Stock								6,975	I	IRA	
Common								800	I	Minor Child	

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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)	Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			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
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 9					09/10/1998(1)	09/10/2008	Common Stock	56,250
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 12					04/27/1999(2)	04/27/2009	Common stock	22,500
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 26.94					05/02/2000(3)	05/02/2010	Common stock	20,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 52.4375					09/18/2000(4)	09/18/2010	Common Stock	200,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 22.36					05/25/2001(5)	05/25/2011	Common stock	40,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 21.77					04/15/2002(5)	04/15/2012	Common Stock	40,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 27.25					03/07/2003(5)	03/07/2013	Common Stock	40,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 40.98					02/05/2004(5)	02/05/2014	Common Stock	30,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 28.96					08/19/2004(5)	08/19/2014	Common Stock	10,000
Options (rights to	\$ 26.14					06/30/2005(6)	06/30/2015	Common Stock	8,500

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### **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

> > Exec VP

PRITCHETT DOUGLAS E 4991 CORPORATE DRIVE Marketing **HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805** 

### **Signatures**

Edward H. Blankenship as attorney-in-fact for Douglas E 01/05/2006 Pritchett

> \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Grant date, options exercisable 20% annually each year on the grant date anniversary.
- (2) Grant date, 25% vests immediately and then 3 equal annual installments.
- (3) Grant date, 50% vest and become exercisable on the first anniversary of the grant date and 25% on each grant date anniversary thereafter.
- Grant date, 15% vests every six months for the first 12 months, 6.25% vests quarterly for the following 24 months and 5% vests quarterly for the remaining 12 months.
- Grant date, 25% vests after 6 months and in 10 equal quarterly installments thereafter. Vesting of unvested options (priced greater than \$25.00) accelerated and became 100% vested on December 25, 2005.
- (6) Grant date, 100% vests on December 31, 2005.
- (7) Shares purchased under the Avocent Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

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