

AVOCENT CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
DeVore Dudley

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
4991 CORPORATE DRIVE  
(Street)

HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AVOCENT CORP [AVCT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/08/2006

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 below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senr VP, Branded Markets, Amer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/08/2006		M		781	A	\$ 21.77
Common Stock	03/08/2006		S		781	D	\$ 32.50

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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 34.67					01/26/2000 <sup>(1)</sup> 01/26/2010	Common Stock	14,999
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 52.44					09/18/2000 <sup>(2)</sup> 09/18/2010	Common stock	200
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 21.77	03/08/2006		M	781	04/15/2002 <sup>(3)</sup> 04/15/2012	Common Stock	781
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 27.25					03/07/2003 <sup>(4)</sup> 03/07/2013	Common stock	10,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 40.98					02/05/2004 <sup>(4)</sup> 02/05/2014	Common stock	10,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 28.96					08/19/2004 <sup>(4)</sup> 08/19/2014	Common stock	5,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DeVore Dudley 4991 CORPORATE DRIVE HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805			Senr VP, Branded Markets, Amer	

## Signatures

Dudley DeVore  
03/10/2006  
Date

\_\_Signature of  
Reporting Person

## 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) Grant date, 5 year vesting, 20% annually beginning on first anniversary of grant date.
- (2) Grant date, 2 year vesting, 50% annually beginning on first anniversary of grant date.
- (3) Grant date, 4 year vesting, 25% on first anniversary of grant date, then 6.25% vests quarterly over the remaining 12 quarters.
- (4) Grant date, 3 year vesting, 25% vests after 6 months, then 7.5% vests quarterly over the remaining 10 quarters. The vesting of the unvested options accelerated and became 100% vested on December 25, 2005.

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