

Baldwin Nancy  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Baldwin Nancy

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NANOPHASE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION [NANX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1319 MARQUETTE DRIVE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
07/20/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP Human Resources & IT

ROMEDEVILLE, IL 60446  
(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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 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)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	07/20/2012		X	493 A \$ 0.33	987	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)**

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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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 5.55					10/11/2005 <sup>(2)</sup> 10/11/2014	Common Stock
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 6.01					09/27/2007 <sup>(2)</sup> 09/27/2016	Common Stock
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 4.48					11/06/2008 <sup>(2)</sup> 11/06/2017	Common Stock
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 3.14					05/12/2009 <sup>(2)</sup> 05/12/2018	Common Stock
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 1.02					05/04/2010 <sup>(2)</sup> 05/04/2019	Common Stock
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 1.7					05/03/2011 <sup>(2)</sup> 05/03/2020	Common Stock
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 1.26					05/02/2012 <sup>(2)</sup> 05/02/2021	Common Stock
Subscription Rights (right to buy) <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 0.33	07/20/2012		X	494	06/13/2012 07/20/2012	Common Stock
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 0.3	08/07/2012		A	41,000	08/07/2013 <sup>(2)</sup> 08/07/2022	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Baldwin Nancy 1319 MARQUETTE DRIVE ROMEDEVILLE, IL 60446			VP Human Resources & IT	

## Signatures

By Jess Jankowski, under UPA, for Nancy  
Baldwin

08/09/2012

\_\_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).

- The reporting person exercised subscription rights issued pro rata to holders of Common Stock as of the close of business on the Record Date, to purchase 0.342 shares of Common Stock for each one share of Common Stock owned as of the close of business on the Record Date at a subscription price of \$0.33 per full share under the basic subscription privilege of the issuer's rights offering, as well as additional shares under the oversubscription privilege.
- (1) Subject to certain restrictions, beginning on this date, options vest in three equal annual installments.

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