#### THOMAS CHRISTOPHER L

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### 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).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading THOMAS CHRISTOPHER L Issuer Symbol AVOCENT CORP [AVCT] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify 4991 CORPORATE DRIVE 01/03/2007 below) Chief Technology Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805** Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-I	Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficially Owned
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Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or D	ispose	d of (D)	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common	01/03/2007		F	2,036	D	\$	13,362 (4)	D	

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Dr.Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and A	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 52.44					09/18/2000(1)	09/18/2010	Common Stock	175,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 27.25					03/07/2003(2)	03/07/2013	Common Stock	40,000
Option (rights to buy)	\$ 40.98					02/05/2004(2)	02/05/2014	Common Stock	30,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 28.96					08/19/2004(2)	08/19/2014	Common Stock	10,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 26.14					06/30/2005(3)	06/30/2015	Common Stock	7,200

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 6	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
THOMAS CHRISTOPHER L 4991 CORPORATE DRIVE HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805			Chief Technology Officer			

# **Signatures**

Christopher L
Thomas 01/05/2007

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

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Grant date, 15% vests every 6 months for the first 12 months, 6.25% vests every three months for the following twelve months and 5% vests every three months for the final 12 months.

- (2) Grant date, 25% vests after 6 months, 7.5% vests every three months for final 10 quarters. Vesting of unvested options accelerated and became 100% vested on December 25, 2005.
- (3) Grant date, 100% vested on December 31, 2005.
  - This includes time-based restricted shares: 4645 shares vest equally over two years, 50% on January 1, 2007 and 50% on January 1, 2008;
- (4) 10753 shares vest equally over three years, 1/3 on January 1, 2007, 1/3 on January 1, 2008 and 1/3 on January 1, 2009. 2036 shares were withheld as payment for taxes at the release on January 3, 2007.

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