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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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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Mulligan Eugene F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last) (First) (Middle)

AVOCENT CORP [AVCT]

(Check all applicable)

4991 CORPORATE DRIVE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2008

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below) Senior VP, Operations

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

Applicable Line)

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Person

below)

HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock

(Instr. 3)

01/02/2008

3,092 F D (6) 22.3

 $21,797 \stackrel{(5)}{=}$

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and	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	200
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 14.55					09/25/2001(2)	09/25/2011	Common stock	782
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 27.25					03/07/2003(3)	03/07/2013	Common stock	4,500
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 40.98					02/05/2004(3)	02/05/2014	Common stock	10,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 28.96					08/19/2004(3)	08/19/2014	Common stock	5,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 26.14					06/30/2005(4)	06/30/2015	Common stock	3,700

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Mulligan Eugene F 4991 CORPORATE DRIVE HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805			Senior VP, Operations				
Signatures							

Richard K. Hempstead Attorney-in-Fact for Eugene 01/04/2008 Mulligan

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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, 2 year vesting, 50% on vests annually on grant date anniversary.
- (2) Grant date, 4 year vesting, 25% on first anniversary of grant date, then 6.25% vests quarterly over the remaining 12 quarters.
- Grant date, 3 year vesting, 25% vests 6 months from grant date, then 7.5% vests quarterly over the remaining 10 quarters. Vesting of unvested options accelerated and became 100% vested on December 25, 2005.
- (4) Grant date, 100% vests on December 31, 2005.
 - Includes time-based and performance-based (now deemed earned) restricted shares awarded on April 25, 2006: 1,193 shares vest on January 1, 2008; 5,734 shares vest equally over two years, one-half on January 1, 2008 and one-half on January 1, 2009.
- This also includes 8,602 time-based restricted shares granted on April 27, 2007. The shares vest equally over three years, one-third on January 1, 2008, one-third on January 1, 2009 and one-third January 1, 2010.
- (6) 3,092 Shares were withheld as payment of taxes at the release of restricted shares on January 2, 2008.

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