

AVOCENT CORP
Form 4
January 04, 2008

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BLANKENSHIP EDWARD H

(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)
01/02/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

Senior VP Finance & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/02/2008		F	(A) or (D) D	3,134 (5) \$ 22.3	26,054 (4)	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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Deemed Exercise Price (Instr. 3)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 15.46							07/25/2002 ⁽¹⁾	07/25/2012	Common Stock	25,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 27.25							03/07/2003 ⁽²⁾	03/07/2013	Common Stock	10,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 40.98							02/05/2004 ⁽²⁾	02/05/2014	Common Stock	10,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 28.96							08/19/2004 ⁽²⁾	08/19/2014	Common Stock	5,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 26.14							06/30/2005 ⁽³⁾	06/30/2015	Common Stock	3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BLANKENSHIP EDWARD H 4991 CORPORATE DRIVE HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805			Senior VP Finance & CFO	

Signatures

Richard K. Hempstead Attorney-in-Fact for Edward H. Blankenship

01/04/2008

****Signature of Reporting Person**

Date _____

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) Grant date, options vest over four years, 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date and 6.25% quarterly over the remaining 12 quarters.
- (2) Grant date, 25% vests after 6 months, 7.5% vests every three months for the 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.
- (4) Includes time-based and performance-based (now deemed earned) restricted shares awarded on April 25, 2006: 967 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. Includes 9,677 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.
- (5) 3,134 Shares were withheld as payment for taxes at the release of restricted shares on January 2, 2008.

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