FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Mannion John J						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol QUANEX CORP [ NX ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  VP-Treasurer						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH SUITE 1500						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2007														
(Street) HOUSTON TX 77027  (City) (State) (Zip)					_   4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Appliane)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Report												on .		
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day					action	2/ Ex	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securitie	s Acquired (A) or of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an		5. Amou nd 5) Securiti Benefic		nt of es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Transact (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(111341. 4)	
Common Stock					01/03/2007		01/08/2007		J <sup>(1)</sup>		0.444	A	\$33.9	899 3,15		58.194		D		
Common Stock 01/03/20							01/08/2007		<b>J</b> (2)		6.767	A	\$33.9	.9899 3,16		64.961		D		
			Table II								oosed of, converti				wned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deen Executio if any (Month/D	ned n Date,	d 4. Date, Transa		5. Number of		6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		isable and	7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		nt 8.	Price of erivative ecurity estr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	i S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownershi (Instr. 4)	t
					Code	de V (A)		(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	er						
Phantom Stock Units <sup>(3)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(4)</sup>	01/03/2007			A		13.256		(5)		(5)	Common Stock	13.25	56	\$33.67	3,201.2	45	D		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$20.0222								08/30/2	.005	08/30/2015	Common Stock	7,50	0		7,500	)	D		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$26.3111								12/01/2	.005	12/01/2014	Common Stock	11,25	50		11,250	0	D		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$37.47								12/05/2	.007	12/05/2016	Common Stock	3,60	0		3,600		D		
Stock Options (Right to	\$40.9467								12/01/2	.006	12/01/2015	Common Stock	3,45	0		3,450	)	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Acquired through Quanex Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- 2. Shares acquired through Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- 3. Units that are credited to the participant's account under the Quanex Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan as a result of Dividend Reinvestment.
- 4. Conversion price is 1-for-1.

5. All units credited under the Deferred Compensation Plan are 100% vested at all times; provided, however, that if a participant receives a benefit from the Deferred Compensation Plan for any reason other than death, disability or retirement within three years after a deferral is credited to a participant's account, any matching awards made by the Company with respect to such deferral will be forfeited. Distributions under the Deferred Compensation Plan are made beginning on a specified date selected by the participant or upon a participant's death, disability, or termination of employment.

John J Mannion

01/05/2007

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* 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).

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