FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Mannion John J						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol QUANEX CORP [ NX ]										all app	olicable)		Owner (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH SUITE 1500						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2007										belov			
(Street) HOUSTON TX 77027 (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X 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. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3)				4 and S		ount of ities icially d 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		Report Transa (Instr.	action(s) 3 and 4)		(11341. 4)		
Common	Stock	1/2007		05/04/	05/04/2007			5.405		A	\$42.55		5 3,187.829		D				
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	ivative Conversion Date Execution Date or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		n of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		ount	Deriv	Price of ivative curity str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction( (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

## Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares acquired through Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

John J Mannion

05/02/2007

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\ast}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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