## FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Korb Brent L						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol QUANEX CORP [ NX ]										Check	tionship of Reportin all applicable) Director Officer (give title		10%	ssuer Owner (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH SUITE 1500					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/05/2005											X	belov			
(Street)	(Street) HOUSTON TX 77027				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. 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)						ar)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			Transaction Di			Securities Acquired (A) isposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			4 and Se		ount of ities icially d Following ted	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		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common	Stock			05/05	/2005	5	05/06	/2005		J <sup>(1)</sup>		6.801	6.801 A \$50.73 930.463 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)	rivative Conversion Date Execution or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		Date, Transaction Code (Inst		Instr			Ex  (Me	Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Number of Shares			-		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Shares acquired through Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

Terry M. Murphy, Power of <u>Attorney</u>

05/06/2005

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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