## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* FLAUM RUSSELL M					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol QUANEX CORP [ NX ]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2005							Officer (give title below)  Officer (give title below)				- 1	
SUITE 1500					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable										olicable		
(Street) HOUSTON TX 77027												X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)														
		Tak	le I - Non-D	erivativ	/e Se	ecuritie	s Ac	cquired, D	isposed	of, or Be	nefici	ally Owned	<u> </u>				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D					Execution Da		Date	te, Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)			rities Acquired (A) or ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar		ınt of es ially Following	Form:	n: Direct r Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
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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/Yea	d 4. Date, Transaction Code (Instr		5. Number of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title an of Securi Underlyin Derivative	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(: (Instr. 4)	e s lly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title	Amour or Number of Shares	er					
Phantom Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(2)</sup>	09/30/2005		A		9.0613		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	9.061	3 \$66.2	4,062.03	373	D		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$12.1667							12/02/1999	12/01/200	Common Stock	3,000	0	3,000	)	D		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$13.2083							10/31/2000	10/31/201	0 Common Stock	3,000	0	3,000	)	D		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$14.4583							05/01/2000	10/31/200	Common Stock	3,000	0	3,000	)	D		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$17.3333							10/31/2001	10/31/201	1 Common Stock	3,000	0	3,000		D		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$23.6933							10/31/2002	10/31/201	2 Common Stock	3,000	0	3,000	)	D		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$26.7							10/31/2003	10/31/201	3 Common Stock	3,000	0	3,000	)	D		
Stock Options (Right to	\$33.8							10/31/2004	10/31/201	4 Common Stock	3,000		3,000		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Units that are credited to the participant's account under the Quanex Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan as a result of Dividend Reinvestment.
- 2. Conversion price is 1-for-1.
- 3. 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 bythe participant or upon a participant's death, disability, or termination of employment.

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

10/03/2005

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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