FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* JEAN RAYMOND A						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol QUANEX CORP [nx]										all app Direc	olicable)		Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH SUITE 1500						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/26/2005									X Officer (give title below) Chairman, CEO a			below	Other (specify below) and President	
(Street) HOUSTON TX 77027 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Indiv Line) X	′					
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, f any Month/Day/Year)		Code	Transaction Code (Instr.					, 4 and Secu Bene		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) o (D)	or Pric	e	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(111511.4)	
Common Stock 09/26/						2005			S		300		D	\$63	1.29 122,150		22,150	D		
Common Stock 09/26/					5/2005	2005					600		D	\$6	\$61.28		21,550	D		
Common Stock 09/26/					5/2005	2005			S		500		D	\$6	\$61.27		21,050	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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year Derivative		Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		n of Deri Secu Acqu (A) o Disp of (E	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Exercisable Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amount of Numbe of Title Shares				9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

Raymond A. Jean by Terry M. Murphy, POA

09/28/2005

** 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).
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