FORM 4

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* FLAUM RUSSELL M | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 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) 04/29/2005 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | pecify | |
| SUITE 1500 | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable | | | | | |
| (Street) HOUSTON TX 77027 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Ta | ble I - Non- | -Deriva | tive | e Se | curit | ies A | Acquired, D | Dispo | sed of | , or Ben | eficia | ally (| Owned | | | | | |
| Date | | | | | Day/Year) | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Ye | | te, Transaction Code (Instr. | | | | (A) or . 3, 4 aı | 4 and Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reportec | | i Ily | Form: | Direct I Indirect E str. 4) | 7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Dwnership | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | / A | Amount (A) or (D) | | Price | ion(s) | | | | (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | Table II - D | | | | | | quired, Dis ts, options | | | | | | wned | | | | | |
| Derivative Conversion [| | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/Y | Co | ansaction de (Instr. | | of | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4) | | S (I | . Price of Perivative Pecurity Pecurity Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | Co | de \ | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expir Date | ation | Title | Amou or Numb of Share | er | | | | | | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$12.1667 | | | | | | | | 12/02/1999 | 12/0 | 1/2008 | Common Stock | 3,00 | 00 | | 3,000 |) | D | | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$13.2083 | | | | | | | | 10/31/2000 | 10/3 | 1/2010 | Common Stock | 3,00 | 00 | | 3,000 |) | D | | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$14.4583 | | | | | | | | 05/01/2000 | 10/3 | 1/2009 | Common Stock | 3,00 | 00 | | 3,000 |) | D | | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$17.3333 | | | | | | | | 10/31/2001 | 10/3 | 1/2011 | Common Stock | 3,00 | 00 | | 3,000 |) | D | | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$23.6933 | | | | | | | | 10/31/2002 | 10/3 | 1/2012 | Common Stock | 3,00 | 00 | | 3,000 |) | D | | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$26.7 | | | | | | | | 10/31/2003 | 10/3 | 1/2013 | Common Stock | 3,00 | 00 | | 3,000 |) | D | | |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$33.8 | | | | | | | | 10/31/2004 | 10/3 | 1/2014 | Common Stock | 3,00 | 00 | | 3,000 |) | D | | |
| Phantom Stock Units ⁽¹⁾ | \$0 ⁽²⁾ | 04/29/2005 | | А | \ | | 9.91 | | 04/29/2005 ⁽³⁾ | 08/08 | /1988 ⁽³⁾ | Common Stock | 9.9 | 1 | \$50.46 | 3,854.2 | 295 | D | | |
| Phantom Stock Units ⁽⁴⁾ | \$0 ⁽²⁾ | 04/29/2005 | | A | | | 1.98 | | 04/29/2005 ⁽³⁾ | 08/08 | /1988 ⁽³⁾ | Common Stock | 1.9 | 8 | \$50.46 | 3,856.2 | 275 | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Units that are credited to the participants account under the Quanex Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan as a result of the participant's deferral of income or fees, as the case may be.
- 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.
- 4. Represents units credited to a participant's account under the Deferred Compensation Plan as a result of the Company's 20% matching award of the participant's deferral of income or fees, as the case may be.

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

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

05/02/2005

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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