

Copperman Harold D
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Copperman Harold D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AVOCENT CORP [AVCT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
4991 CORPORATE DRIVE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/13/2009

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 02/13/2009 | | A | (A) or (D) Price 9,909 (3) | \$ 0 32,683 (4) | D | |

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Options (rights to buy) | \$ 20 | | | | | 10/31/2002 ⁽¹⁾ 10/31/2012 | Common Stock | 30,000 |
| Options (rights to buy) | \$ 40.98 | | | | | 02/05/2004 ⁽¹⁾ 02/05/2014 | Common Stock | 10,000 |
| Options (rights to buy) | \$ 26.14 | | | | | 06/30/2005 ⁽²⁾ 06/30/2015 | Common Stock | 4,200 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Copperman Harold D 4991 CORPORATE DRIVE HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805 | | X | | |

Signatures

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| Richard K Hempstead Attorney-in-fact for Harold D Copperman | 02/17/2009 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date |

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Grant date, exercisable in 24 equal monthly installments beginning one month from grant date.
- (2) Grant date, 100% vests on December 31, 2005.
- (3) These are time-based restricted shares granted on February 13, 2009. 4,955 shares vest on February 8, 2010 and 4,954 shares vest on February 8, 2011.
- (4) These include time-based restricted shares granted on February 19, 2008, May 21, 2008, and February 13, 2009. 8,205 shares vest in 2010 and 4,954 shares will vest in 2011.

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