

CONMED CORP  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
**WOODARD GERALD G**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
3983 MORENO DRIVE  
  
(Street)

PALM HARBOR, FL 34685

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**CONMED CORP [CNMD]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**05/16/2006**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

**PRESIDENT - LINVATEC**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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)**

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
RSUs (Restricted Stock Units) <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>(1)</u>	05/16/2006	A	2,000					05/16/2007 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/16/2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	Common Stock
SAR's (Stock Appreciation Rights) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 19.93	05/16/2006	A	5,000					05/16/2007 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/16/2016 <sup>(2)</sup>	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WOODARD GERALD G 3983 MORENO DRIVE PALM HARBOR, FL 34685			PRESIDENT - LINVATEC	

## Signatures

/s/ Gerald G. Woodard  
Date: 05/18/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## 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).
- Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share of
- (1) ConMed Corporation (the "Company") and will be subject to the terms and conditions of the Company's 2006 Stock Incentive Plan, with the RSUs generally vesting over a five year period with the first 20% of the RSU's vesting one year after the grant date.
  - (2) The stock appreciation rights ("SARs") were granted under the Issuer's 2006 Stock Incentive Plan and generally vest in equal amounts over a five year period.
  - (3) The SARs were granted at no cost to the Reporting Person.

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