

COOPER JOHN REX

Form 4

January 05, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
COOPER JOHN REX

(Last) (First) (Middle)

4991 CORPORATE DRIVE

(Street)

HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/30/2005

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)

Chairman, CEO

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 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	12/30/2005		P	81 ⁽⁵⁾ A	\$ 23.09	31,931	D
Common Stock					4,000	I	IRA

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 (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. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 52.4375							09/18/2000 ⁽¹⁾	09/18/2010	Common Stock	40,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 21.56							02/22/2002 ⁽²⁾	02/22/2012	Common Stock	130,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 27.25							03/07/2003 ⁽³⁾	03/07/2013	Common Stock	112,500
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 40.98							02/05/2004 ⁽³⁾	02/05/2014	Common Stock	75,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 26.14							06/30/2005 ⁽⁴⁾	06/30/2015	Common Stock	28,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
COOPER JOHN REX 4991 CORPORATE DRIVE HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805	X		Chairman, CEO	

Signatures

Edward H. Blankenship as attorney-in-fact for John R. Cooper

01/05/2006

____Signature of Reporting Person

____Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) Grant date, exercisable in 24 equal monthly installments beginning one month from date of grant.
- (2) Grant date is 2/22/02, vesting begins on 3/4/02, 15% vests every six months for the first 12 months, 6.25% vests quarterly for the following 24 months and 5% vests quarterly for the remaining 12 months.
- (3) Grant date, 25% vests after 6 months and in 10 equal quarterly installments thereafter. Vesting of unvested options accelerated and became 100% vested on December 25, 2005.
- (4) Grant date, 100% vests on December 31, 2005.
- (5) Shares purchased under the Avocent Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

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