

BANTA CORP  
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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting  
Person \*

Allen Edward P

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring  
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

05/25/2005

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BANTA CORP [BN]

4. Relationship of Reporting  
Person(s) to Issuer

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

225 MAIN STREET, P. O.  
BOX 8003

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer \_\_\_\_ Other  
(give title below) (specify below)  
Pres., Banta Global Turnkey

6. Individual or Joint/Group  
Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting  
Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One  
Reporting Person

MENASHA, WI 54952-8003

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security  
(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities  
Beneficially Owned  
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership  
Form:  
Direct (D)  
or Indirect  
(I)  
(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial  
Ownership  
(Instr. 5)

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

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### Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative  
Security  
(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and  
Expiration Date  
(Month/Day/Year)

Date Exercisable Expiration  
Date

3. Title and Amount of  
Securities Underlying  
Derivative Security  
(Instr. 4)

Title Amount or  
Number of  
Shares

4. Conversion  
or Exercise  
Price of  
Derivative  
Security

5. Ownership  
Form of  
Derivative  
Security:  
Direct (D)  
or Indirect  
(I)

6. Nature of Indirect  
Beneficial  
Ownership  
(Instr. 5)

(Instr. 5)

Stock Option	10/25/2004 <sup>(1)</sup>	10/25/2014	Common Stock	2,000	\$ 38.18	D	Â
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				Other
	Director	10% Owner	Officer		
Allen Edward P 225 MAIN STREET P. O. BOX 8003 MENASHA, WI 54952-8003	Â	Â	Â Pres., Banta Global Turnkey		Â

## Signatures

Ronald D. Kneezel, Attorney-in-fact	05/27/2005
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\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) The option vests as to 33-1/3% of the shares subject thereto on the first anniversary of the grant date, an additional 33-1/3% on the second anniversary of the grant date, and the final 33-1/3% on the third anniversary of the grant date.

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