

AVOCENT CORP  
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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 \*  
**JOHNSON GARY RAY**

(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)  
10/12/2005

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)  
Former EVP, Branded Sales

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

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	10/12/2005		M	7,500 A \$ 12	30,572	D	
Common Stock	10/12/2005		M	15,000 A \$ 26.94	45,572	D	
Common Stock	10/12/2005		M	55,000 A \$ 27.25	100,572	D	
Common Stock	10/12/2005		M	10,000 A \$ 28.96	110,572	D	
Common Stock	10/12/2005		S	87,500 D \$ 33.45	23,072	D	

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Common Stock      10/14/2005      M      40,000      A      \$ 21.77      63,072      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)

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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable      Expiration Date	Title      Amount Number Shares
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 12	10/12/2005		M	7,500	04/27/1999 <sup>(1)</sup> 10/12/2005	Common stock      7,500
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 26.94	10/12/2005		M	15,000	05/02/2000 <sup>(1)</sup> 10/12/2005	Common stock      15,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 52.4375					09/18/2000 <sup>(1)</sup> 10/14/2005	Common Stock      175,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 21.77	10/14/2005		M	40,000	04/15/2002 <sup>(1)</sup> 10/14/2005	Common Stock      40,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 27.25	10/12/2005		M	55,000	03/07/2003 <sup>(1)</sup> 10/14/2005	Common Stock      55,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 40.98					02/05/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 10/14/2005	Common Stock      30,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 28.96	10/12/2005		M	10,000	08/19/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 10/14/2005	Common Stock      10,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JOHNSON GARY RAY 4991 CORPORATE DRIVE HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805			Former EVP, Branded Sales	

## Signatures

Samuel F. Saracino as attorney- in -fact for Gary R.  
Johnson

10/14/2005

\_\_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, 100% of outstanding options are currently vested.

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