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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad LEE MARK	•	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVOCENT CORP [AVCT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
4991 CORPORATE DRIVE			(Month/Day/Year) 05/17/2005	Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) Senior VP			
(Street) HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Chec Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Con	nmon ck	05/17/2005		M	5,451	A	\$ 1.31	6,460	D	
Cor	nmon ck	05/17/2005		S	5,451	D	\$ 24.88	1,009	D	
Con	nmon ck							12,598 (1)	I	Escrow

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Securities		Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		mof Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,			7. 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)	\$ 1.31	05/17/2005		M	5,45	51 (09/30/2003(3)	09/30/2013	Common Stock	5,451			
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 37.42						04/07/2004(2)	04/07/2014	Common Stock	67,290			

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
LEE MARK								

4991 CORPORATE DRIVE Senior VP HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805

Signatures

Douglas E. Pritchett as attorney in fact for 05/18/2005 Mark Lee

> **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).
- Shares held in escrow for the benefit of Mr. Lee under terms of Escrow and Indemnification Agreement dated April 6, 2004.
- Grant date, options vest over four years, 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date and 6.25% quarterly over the remaining 12 **(2)** quarters.
- (3) Original grant date, options vest at approximately 1,817 a month until fully vested as of September 30, 2005.

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