

ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**LETHAM DENNIS J**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC [AXE]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**C/O ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC., 2301 PATRIOT BLVD**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/15/2008**

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Executive VP-Finance & CFO**

**GLENVIEW, IL 60026**

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	08/15/2008		M	3,668	A \$ 10.85	137,425 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
Common Stock	08/15/2008		S <sup>(2)</sup>	3,668	D \$ 70.1213	133,757 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
Common Stock	08/15/2008		M	4,750	A \$ 17.47	138,507 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
Common Stock	08/15/2008		S <sup>(4)</sup>	2,700	A \$ 70.1224	135,807 <sup>(1)</sup>	D

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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. Amount or Number of Shares
Options to purchase common stock	\$ 10.85	08/15/2008		M	3,668	03/01/2000 03/01/2009	Common stock	3,668
Options to purchase common stock	\$ 17.47	08/15/2008		M	4,750	02/18/2001 02/18/2010	Common stock	4,750

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LETHAM DENNIS J C/O ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC. 2301 PATRIOT BLVD GLENVIEW, IL 60026			Executive VP-Finance & CFO	

## Signatures

Michele Nelson,  
attorney-in-fact

08/15/2008

\_\_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) Total Includes 52,504 common stock units.
- (2) These shares covered by this Form 4 have been sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1(c) plan dated April 25, 2007.
- (3) This is the weighted average for sale prices ranging from \$69.65 to \$70.60. Upon the request of the SEC staff, the issuer or any security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be provided.
- (4) These shares covered by this Form 4 have been obtained pursuant to the exercise of an option under a Rule 10b5-1(c) plan dated May 2, 2008.
- (5) This is the weighted average for sale prices ranging from \$69.70 to \$70.51. Upon the request of the SEC staff, the issuer or any security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be provided.

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