AVOCENT CORP Form 4 April 27, 2006

## FORM 4

#### 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 Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MCALEER WILLIAM Issuer Symbol AVOCENT CORP [AVCT] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 9911 WILLOWS ROAD NE 04/25/2006 below) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

REDMOND, WA 98052

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price 6,742 Common 04/25/2006 A \$0 6,742 D (5) Stock

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)

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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)	5. Dr.Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable a Date (Month/Day/Year)	and Expiration	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 0.1123					06/10/1996(1)	06/10/2006	Common Stock	1,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 52.4375					09/18/2000(2)	09/18/2010	Common Stock	20,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 22.36					05/25/2001 <u>(2)</u>	05/25/2011	Common Stock	9,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 27.25					03/07/2003(2)	03/07/2013	Common Stock	15,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 40.98					02/05/2004(2)(4)	02/05/2014	Common Stock	10,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 26.14					06/30/2005(3)	06/30/2015	Common Stock	4,200

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MCALEER WILLIAM	v					
9911 WILLOWS ROAD NE REDMOND, WA 98052	X					

# **Signatures**

Doyle C Weeks as attorney-in-fact for William H McAleer 04/27/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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## **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, 25% exercisable on July 1, 1997 and in 36 equal installments thereafter.
- (2) Grant date, exercisable in 24 monthly installments beginning one month from date of grant.
- (3) Grant date, 100% vests on December 31, 2005.
- (4) The vesting of unvested options will accelerate and become 100% vested on December 25, 2005, if the reporting person is an employee on that date.
- (5) These are time-based restricted shares; 6,742 shares vest equally over two years, 50% on January 1, 2007 and 50% on January 1, 2008.

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