

BAYLES MICHAEL R  
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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 \*  
BAYLES MICHAEL R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
QUANEX CORP [NX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH, SUITE 1500  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/07/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senior VP-Building Prod. Group

HOUSTON, TX 77027  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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                    | 03/07/2005                           |  | M                              |   | 25,000  | A  | \$ 21.3333  |
| Common Stock                    | 03/07/2005                           |  | M                              |   | 6,900   | A  | \$ 26.4   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/07/2005                           |  | S                              |   | 600   | D  | \$ 60.4   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/07/2005                           |  | S                              |   | 800   | D  | \$ 60.27  |
| Common Stock                    | 03/07/2005                           |  | S                              |   | 1,500   | D  | \$ 60.26  |

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|              |            |   |       |   |          |             |   |
|--------------|------------|---|-------|---|----------|-------------|---|
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 600   | D | \$ 60.25 | 54,957.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 100   | D | \$ 60.24 | 54,857.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 700   | D | \$ 60.23 | 54,157.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 3,100 | D | \$ 60.2  | 51,057.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 2,100 | D | \$ 60.19 | 48,957.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 1,200 | D | \$ 60.18 | 47,757.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 1,200 | D | \$ 60.17 | 46,557.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 200   | D | \$ 60.16 | 46,357.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 100   | D | \$ 60.15 | 46,257.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 700   | D | \$ 60.14 | 45,557.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 200   | D | \$ 60.13 | 45,357.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 1,200 | D | \$ 60.12 | 44,157.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 1,700 | D | \$ 60.11 | 42,457.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 8,200 | D | \$ 60.1  | 34,257.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 200   | D | \$ 60.08 | 34,057.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 1,300 | D | \$ 60.07 | 32,757.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 1,200 | D | \$ 60.06 | 31,557.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 1,000 | D | \$ 60.05 | 30,557.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 400   | D | \$ 60.04 | 30,157.1307 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2005 | S | 300   | D | \$ 60.02 | 29,857.1307 | D |
|              | 03/07/2005 | S | 1,900 | D | \$ 60.01 | 27,957.1307 | D |

Common  
Stock

Common Stock 03/07/2005 S 1,400 D \$ 60 26,557.1307 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) | Amount of Number of Shares |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                      | Amount of Number of Shares |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)               | \$ 21.3333   | 03/07/2005                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               | 25,000  | 12/05/2003 12/04/2012                                    | Common Stock  | 25,000                     |                            |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)               | \$ 26.4  | 03/07/2005                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               | 6,900   | 12/04/2004 12/03/2013                                    | Common Stock  | 6,900                      |                            |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)               | \$ 39.4667   |                                      |  |                                |   | 12/01/2005 12/01/2014                                    | Common Stock  | 21,750                     |                            |
| Phantom Stock Units                        | \$ 0   |                                      |  |                                |   | 12/31/2004 08/08/1988                                    | Common Stock  | 19,428                     |                            |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address           | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| BAYLES MICHAEL R<br>1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH |               |           | Senior VP-Building Prod. Group |       |

SUITE 1500  
HOUSTON, TX 77027

## Signatures

Terry M. Murphy, Power of  
Attorney

03/08/2005

\_\_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) Options exercised under the Quanex Corporation 1996 Employee Stock Option Plan.

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