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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 *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

BARGER DONALD G JR

QUANEX CORP [NX]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director

10% Owner

1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH, SUITE

08/24/2006

(Month/Day/Year)

Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Instr. 4)

1500

4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 8)

HOUSTON, TX 77027

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I)

Following Reported

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	8)	Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	f (D)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Phantom Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (2)	08/24/2006		A		57.803		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	57.803
Phantom Stock Units (4)	\$ 0 (2)	08/24/2006		A		289.017		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	289.01
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 8.8055							10/31/2000	10/31/2010	Common Stock	4,500
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 11.5333							10/31/2001	10/31/2011	Common Stock	4,500
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 15.7955							10/31/2002	10/31/2012	Common Stock	4,500
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 17.8							10/31/2003	10/31/2013	Common Stock	4,500
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 22.5333							10/31/2004	10/31/2014	Common Stock	4,500
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 38.6067							10/31/2005	10/31/2015	Common Stock	3,042

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BARGER DONALD G JR 1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH SUITE 1500 HOUSTON, TX 77027	X						

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John J. Mannion, Power of Attorney

08/25/2006

**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).
- (2) Conversion price is 1-for-1.
 - All units credited under the Deferred Compensation Plan are 100% vested at all times; provided, however, that if a participant receives a benefit from the Deferred Compensation Plan for any reason other than death, disability or retirement within three years after a deferral is
- (3) credited to a participant's account, any matching awards made by the Company with respect to such deferral will be forfeited. Distributions under the Deferred Compensation Plan are made beginning on a specified date selected bythe participant or upon a participant's death, disability, or termination of employment.
- (1) Represents units credited to a participant's account under the Deferred Compensation Plan as a result of the Company's 20% matching award of the participant's deferral of income or fees, as the case may be.
- (4) Units that are credited to the participants account under the Quanex Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan as a result of the participant's deferral of income or fees, as the case may be.

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