#### WHITMORE R JANET

Form 4

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### FORM 4

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See Instruction 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 WHITMORE R JANET Issuer Symbol NANOPHASE TECHNOLOGIES (Check all applicable) CORPORATION [NANX] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction \_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 1319 MARQUETTE DRIVE 02/14/2013 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

ROMEOVILLE, IL 60446

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-De	erivative Securities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed of (D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)  Code V	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or Amount (D) Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock					32,675	I	By Daughter
Common Stock					532,038	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Date (Month/Day/Year	•	7. Title and A Underlying So (Instr. 3 and 4
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.55					11/24/2004(1)	11/24/2013(1)	Common Stock
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.36 (1)					01/31/2014	01/31/2021	Common Stock
Deferred Common Stock	<u>(2)</u>					<u>(3)</u>	(3)(4)	Common Stock
Stock Appreciation Right (5)	\$ 0.99					<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.3 (1)					08/07/2015	08/07/2022	Common Stock
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.415 (1)	02/14/2013		A	10,000	02/14/2014	02/14/2023	Common Stock

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
WHITMORE R JANET 1319 MARQUETTE DRIVE ROMEOVILLE, IL 60446	X				

## **Signatures**

By Frank Cesario under UPA for R. Janet
Whitmore

02/19/2013

\*\*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) Subject to certain rights and restrictions, beginning on this date, options vest in three equal annual installments.

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- (2) Each share of deferred common stock represents a right to receive one share of common stock.
- (3) The deferred common stock becomes payable upon the reporting person's termination of service as a director of the Company.
- Pursuant to such plan, the reporting person elected to defer receipt of such shares and receive a cumulative total of 20,030 shares of deferred common stock which will all be accounted for under the Company's Non-Employee Director Deferred Compensation Plan.
- The stock appreciation right becomes payable upon the reporting person's termination of service as a director of the Company. 2,000 were issued 4/8/2009 at a conversion price of \$0.90, 2,000 were issued 7/1/2009 at a conversion price of \$1.05, 2,000 were issued 10/1/2009 at a conversion price of \$1.18, 2,000 were issued 1/4/2010 at a conversion price of \$0.84, 2,000 were issued 4/1/2010 at a conversion price of \$1.85, 2,000 were issued 7/1/2010 at a conversion price of \$1.10, and 2,000 were issued 10/1/2010 at a conversion price of \$0.99.

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