

Hammonds Paul A  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Hammonds Paul A		(Month/Day/Year)	QUANEX CORP [NX]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	02/24/2005	
1900 WEST LOOP		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
SOUTH,Â SUITE 1500		(Check all applicable)		
(Street)		<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below)    (specify below) Vice Pres.-Corp. Development		
HOUSTON,Â TXÂ 77027		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	332.884	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Title			

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	Expiration Date	Amount or Number of Shares	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
Stock Options (Right to buy)	03/10/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 03/10/2013	Common Stock 3,000 \$ 20.0333	D Â
Stock Options (Right to buy)	12/03/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 12/03/2013	Common Stock 3,000 \$ 26.4	D Â
Stock Options (Right to buy)	12/01/2005 <sup>(1)</sup> 12/01/2014	Common Stock 7,500 \$ 39.4667	D Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hammonds Paul A 1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH SUITE 1500 HOUSTON, TX 77027	Â	Â	Â Vice Pres.-Corp. Development	Â

## Signatures

Paul A. 03/02/2005  
Hammonds

    \*\*Signature of                      Date  
Reporting Person

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) The option becomes exercisable in one third increments annually beginning one year from date of grant.

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