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(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Daly Stephen M

(First)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

AVOCENT CORP [AVCT]

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

10% Owner

4991 CORPORATE DRIVE 01/22/2008

Director _X__ Officer (give title below)

_ Other (specify

(Zin)

(Middle)

Senior VP & LANDesk GM

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Person

HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805

(City)	(State)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securi		*	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	, ,	any	Code	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common stock	01/22/2009		M	8,125 (5)	D	\$ 14.97	52,348 (3)	D	
Common Stock	01/22/2008		D	852 <u>(6)</u>	D	\$ 14.97	51,496 (3)	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)

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 out 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 Underlying (Instr. 3 an
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 37.28					11/18/2003(1)	11/18/2013	Common
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 26.68					08/13/2004(1)	08/13/2014	Common
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 26.14					06/30/2005(2)	06/30/2015	Common Stock
Performance-share Award with Market Conditions	\$ 14.97	01/22/2009		M	8,125	01/22/2008(4)	02/19/2018	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Daly Stephen M

4991 CORPORATE DRIVE Senior VP & LANDesk GM

HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805

Signatures

Richard K. Hempstead Attorney-in-Fact for Stephen M
Daly
01/26/2009

**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) Grant date, 4 year vesting, 25% on first anniversary of grant date, then 6.25% vests quarterly over the remaining 12 quarters. The vesting accelerated and became 100% vested on December 25, 2005.
- (2) Grant date, 100% vests on December 31, 2005.
- (3) Includes time-based and performance-based (now deemed earned) restricted shares awarded on April 27, 2007, and February 19, 2008. 10,903 shares vest on January 1, 2010, and 6,874 shares vest on January 1, 2011. This also includes 11,000 shares of restricted stock units granted on July 14, 2008. These shares vest on the earlier of the first anniversary of the grant date or the closing price of Avocent's

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common stock being at or above a specified level for each trading day during any consecutive 30 calendar day period.

- Earned Date; These are Performance Shares granted on February 19, 2008 now deemed earned at fifty percent. 2,709 shares will vest on January 22, 2009 with the remaining two-thirds vesting in equal amounts on January 1, 2010 and January 1, 2011.
- (5) These are Market-Condition based Performance Shares granted on February 19, 2008 now deemed earned at fifty percent. 2,709 shares will vest on January 22, 2009 with the remaining two-thirds vesting in equal amounts on January 1, 2010 and January 1, 2011.
- (6) 852 shares were withheld as payment for taxes at the release of restricted shares on January 22, 2009.

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