

CONMED CORP  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
**MATTHEWS WILLIAM**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

621 PATIO CIRCLE DRIVE

(Street)

ONEIDA, NY 13421

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**CONMED CORP [CNMD]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**05/18/2007**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	4,500	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)**



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The stock appreciation rights ("SARs") were granted under the Company's 2007 Non-Employee Director Equity Compensation Plan, with the SARs generally vesting 20% per year over a five year period, with any unvested SARs to vest upon the Director's termination of service provided the Director has completed one full year of service since the date of the award in which case the SARs shall be exercisable at any time prior to the expiration date of the SAR or within one year after the date of such termination, whichever period is shorter.

(3) The RSUs and SARs were granted at no cost to the Reporting Person.

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