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Form 8-K  
July 21, 2005

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) July 21, 2005

AVOCENT CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

000-30575

91-2032368

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File  
Number)

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

4991 CORPORATE DRIVE

HUNTSVILLE, AL

35805

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (256) 430-4000

n/a

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 5.02 Appointment of Principal Officer.

On July 19, 2005, Avocent Corporation elected Douglas (Dusty) E. Pritchett as the Company's Executive Vice President of Global Marketing and Edward (Teddy) H. Blankenship as the Company's Senior Vice President of Finance, Chief Financial Officer, and Assistant Secretary. Avocent Corporation publicly disseminated a press release announcing the election of Messrs. Pritchett and Blankenship on July 21, 2005, and the information contained in that press release is incorporated herein by reference and filed as Exhibit 99.13 hereto. Mr. Pritchett's Amended and Restated Employment and Noncompetition Agreement with the Company dated October 10, 2003, which was filed with the SEC on March 14, 2005 as Exhibit 10.18 to the Company's 2004 Annual Report on Form 10-K, has not been amended, but Mr. Pritchett's title has changed and his annual base salary is now \$256,000. Avocent is in the process of completing a comparable Employment and Noncompetition Agreement with Mr. Blankenship, and annual base salary is now \$200,000.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number -----	Description of Exhibit -----
99.13	Press Release Issued July 21, 2005

SIGNATURES  
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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

AVOCENT CORPORATION

Date: July 21, 2005

By: /s/ Samuel F. Saracino  
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Samuel F. Saracino  
Executive Vice President of Legal and  
Corporate Affairs, General Counsel, and  
Secretary

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