

BANTA CORP  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 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 \*  
Allen Edward P

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
225 MAIN STREET, P. O. BOX  
8003  
(Street)

MENASHA, WI 54952-8003

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BANTA CORP [BN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/25/2005

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)  
Pres., Banta Global Turnkey

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V                                                                 | Amount                                                                                        | (D)                                                      | Price                             |
| Common Stock                    | 05/25/2005                           |                                                    | A                              |                                                                   | 1,378                                                                                         | A                                                        | \$ 0 1,378                        |
|                                 |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   |                                                                                               | 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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| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |       |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-------|--|
|                                                     |                                                                    |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                                                                 | Date Exercisable                                               | Expiration<br>Date                                                  | Title                                  |       |  |
|                                                     |                                                                    |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                                                                 | Code                                                           | V                                                                   | (A)                                    | (D)   |  |
| Stock<br>Option                                     | \$ 38.18                                                           |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                                                                 | 10/25/2004                                                     | 10/25/2014                                                          | Common<br>Stock                        | 2,000 |  |
| Stock<br>Option<br><u>(1)</u>                       | \$ 42.57                                                           | 05/25/2005                              |                                                             | A                                    | 6,749                                                                                                           | 05/25/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>                                      | 05/25/2015                                                          | Common<br>Stock                        | 6,749 |  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                | Relationships |           |                             |       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
|                                                                               | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                     | Other |
| Allen Edward P<br>225 MAIN STREET<br>P. O. BOX 8003<br>MENASHA, WI 54952-8003 |               |           | Pres., Banta Global Turnkey |       |

## Signatures

Ronald D. Kneezel,  
Attorney-in-fact

05/27/2005

\*\*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).
- (2) The option vests as to 33-1/3% of the shares subject thereto on the first anniversary of the grant date, an additional 33-1/3% on the second anniversary of the grant date, and the final 33-1/3% on the third anniversary of the grant date.
- (1) Option Granted to reporting person on May 25, 2005 under the Banta Corporation Equity Incentive Plan.

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