

AVOCENT CORP
Form 4
February 21, 2008

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SARACINO SAMUEL F

(Last) (First) (Middle)

9911 WILLOWS ROAD N.E.

(Street)

REDMOND, WA 98052

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
AVOCENT CORP [AVCT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/19/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Exec VP of Legal and Corp

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/19/2008		A	(A) or (D) 9,875 (5)	\$ 0	46,158 (4)	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 Derivative 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 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 a Underlyi (Instr. 3 &			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 52.4375							09/18/2000 ⁽¹⁾	09/18/2010	Comm Stock
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 21.77							04/15/2002 ⁽²⁾	04/15/2012	Comm Stock
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 27.25							03/07/2003 ⁽²⁾	03/07/2013	Comm Stock
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 40.98							02/05/2004 ⁽²⁾	02/05/2014	Comm Stock
Option (rights to buy)	\$ 28.96							08/19/2004 ⁽²⁾	08/19/2014	Comm Stock
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 26.14							06/30/2005 ⁽³⁾	06/30/2015	Comm Stock
Performance-Share Award with Market Conditions	\$ 0 ⁽⁶⁾	02/19/2008		A		16,046		02/19/2008 ⁽⁶⁾	02/19/2018	Comm Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
SARACINO SAMUEL F 9911 WILLOWS ROAD N.E. REDMOND, WA 98052	Exec VP of Legal and Corp

Signatures

Richard K. Hempstead Attorney-in-Fact for Samuel F. Saracino 02/21/2008

__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, 15% vests every six months for the first 12 months, 6.25% vests quarterly for the following 24 months and 5% vests quarterly for the remaining 12 months.

(2)

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Grant date, 25% vests after 6 months and in 10 equal quarterly installments thereafter. The vesting of the unvested options priced at higher than \$25.00 vested on December 25, 2005.

- (3) Grant date, 100% vests on December 31, 2005.

Includes time-based and performance-based (now deemed earned) restricted shares awarded on April 25, 2006: 6,236 shares vest on

- (4) January 1, 2009. This also includes time-based restricted shares granted on April 27, 2007: 3,584 shares vest on January 1, 2009 and 3,584 shares vest on January 1, 2010.

- (5) These are time-based restricted shares granted on February 19, 2008. These shares vest equally over three years, one-third on January 1, 2009, one-third on January 1, 2010, and one-third on January 1, 2011.

- (6) Grant date; These are performance-shares awards with market conditions tied to company stock price to be earned over a two year period. If earned, the shares will vest over a three year period beginning January 1, 2008.

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