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(Print or Type	Responses)										
MURPHY TERRY M Sy				er Name an	d Ticker of	r Trad		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
				EX COR	P [NX]			(Check all applicable)			
1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH, SUITE 1500 (Street) 4. If Am			3. Date of Earliest Transaction(Month/Day/Year)09/30/2005					Director X Officer (give t below)	10%	Owner r (specify	
			mendment, Date Original Month/Day/Year)				 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person 				
HOUSTON	I, TX 77027							Form filed by Mo Form filed by Mo Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemo Execution any (Month/Da	ed Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)		ies Ao ed of	cquired (A) (D)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	09/30/2005	10/03/20	005	J <u>(1)</u>	4.071	A	\$ 67.0832	15,882.5455	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number orDerivative Securities Acquired (<i>A</i> Disposed o (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	A) or of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Phantom Stock Units (2)	\$ 0 <u>(3)</u>	09/30/2005		А	61.7835		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	61.783
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 12.125						10/27/2000	10/26/2010	Common Stock	37,500
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 17.3333						10/24/2002	10/23/2011	Common Stock	37,500
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 21.3333						12/04/2003	12/04/2012	Common Stock	22,500
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 26.4						12/03/2004	12/03/2013	Common Stock	13,500
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 39.4667						12/01/2005	12/01/2014	Common Stock	21,150

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Addr	ess	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
MURPHY TERRY M 1900 WEST LOOP SOUTH SUITE 1500 HOUSTON, TX 77027	I		Senior VP-Finance and CFO					
Signatures								
Terry M Murphy	10/03/2005							
	Date							

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<u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- (3) Conversion price is 1-for-1.
- (1) Acquired through Quanex Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

All units credited under the Deferred Compensation Plan are 100% vested at all times; provided, however, that if a participant receives a benefit from the Deferred Compensation Plan for any reason other than death, disability or retirement within three years after a deferral is

- (4) credited to a participant's account, any matching awards made by the Company with respect to such deferral will be forfeited. Distributions under the Deferred Compensation Plan are made beginning on a specified date selected by the participant or upon a participant's death, disability, or termination of employment.
- (2) Units that are credited to the participant's account under the Quanex Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan as a result of Dividend Reinvestment.

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