

Mulligan Eugene F
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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 *
 Mulligan Eugene F

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 4991 CORPORATE DRIVE
 (Street)

HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/11/2009

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)
 Senior VP, Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (D) Price		
Common Stock	12/11/2009		U		52,806 (1)	D	
					\$ 25 0		

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 and Underlying (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 14.55	12/11/2009		U		782		09/25/2001	09/25/2011	Common stock
Performance-share Award with Market Conditions	\$ 0	12/11/2009		U		7,313		<u>(2)</u>	02/19/2018	Common Stock
Performance-share award with Market Conditions	\$ 0	12/11/2009		U		31,250		<u>(2)</u>	06/26/2019	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Mulligan Eugene F 4991 CORPORATE DRIVE HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805			Senior VP, Operations	

Signatures

Richard K. Hempstead Attorney-in-Fact for Eugene Mulligan	12/15/2009
**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) Includes 21,688 common shares and 31,118 restricted stock units that were disposed of and/or converted into Emerson Electric Co. restricted stock units on December 11, 2009, the Acceptance Date of the Emerson tender offer.
- (2) Became exercisable on December 11, 2009, the Acceptance Date of the Emerson tender offer.

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