

HARPER EDWIN L

Form 4/A

February 17, 2009

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
HARPER EDWIN L

(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)  
02/13/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)  
09/11/2008

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
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☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock                       | 02/13/2009                              |                                                             | A                                       | (A)<br>or<br>(D)<br>Amount<br>9,909<br>(3)                                 | \$ 0 51,164 (4)                                                                                                    | D                                                                    |                                                                   |
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                         |                                                                            | 5,000                                                                                                              | I                                                                    | Family<br>L.P.                                                    |

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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<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, 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) |                                     | 8. De<br>Se<br>(In |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                    |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V (A) (D)                                                                                                          | Date Exercisable                                               | Expiration<br>Date | Title                                                               | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |                    |
| Options<br>(rights to<br>buy)                       | \$ 52.4375                                                         |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                                                                    | 09/18/2000 <sup>(1)</sup>                                      | 09/18/2010         | Common<br>Stock                                                     | 20,000                              |                    |
| Options<br>(rights to<br>buy)                       | \$ 21.77                                                           |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                                                                    | 04/15/2002 <sup>(1)</sup>                                      | 04/15/2012         | Common<br>Stock                                                     | 20,000                              |                    |
| Options<br>(rights to<br>buy)                       | \$ 27.25                                                           |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                                                                    | 03/07/2003 <sup>(1)</sup>                                      | 03/07/2013         | Common<br>Stock                                                     | 15,000                              |                    |
| Options<br>(rights to<br>buy)                       | \$ 40.98                                                           |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                                                                    | 02/05/2004 <sup>(1)</sup>                                      | 02/05/2014         | Common<br>Stock                                                     | 10,000                              |                    |
| Options<br>(rights to<br>buy)                       | \$ 26.14                                                           |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                                                                    | 06/30/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>                                      | 06/30/2015         | Common<br>Stock                                                     | 4,200                               |                    |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                | Relationships                    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                                               | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| HARPER EDWIN L<br>9911 WILLOWS ROAD N.E.<br>REDMOND, WA 98052 | X                                |

## Signatures

Richard K. Hempstead as attorney-in-fact for Edwin L  
Harper

02/17/2009

\_\_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) Grant date, exercisable in 24 equal monthly installments beginning one month from date of grant.

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- (2) Grant date, 100% vests on December 31, 2005.
- (3) These are time-based restricted shares granted on February 13, 2009. 4,955 shares vest on February 8, 2010 and 4,954 shares vest on February 8, 2011.
- (4) These include time-based restricted shares granted on February 19, 2008 and February 13, 2009. 7,955 shares vest in 2010 and 4,954 shares will vest in 2011.

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