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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Allen Edward P Issuer Symbol BANTA CORP [BN] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 225 MAIN STREET, P. O. BOX 05/25/2005 below) 8003 Pres., Banta Global Turnkey (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

MENASHA, WI 54952-8003

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Securities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly 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 onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	(A) or Amount (D) Pric	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
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 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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	Sec Sec (A) Dis (D) (In	curition quire or or spose	rative es d d of	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	V ((A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 38.18							10/25/2004	10/25/2014	Common Stock	2,000
Stock Option	\$ 42.57	05/25/2005		A	6,	749		05/25/2005(2)	05/25/2015	Common Stock	6,749

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Allen Edward P 225 MAIN STREET P. O. BOX 8003 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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