AVOCENT CORP Form 8-K September 11, 2006

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) September 7, 2006

AVOCENT CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-30575 (Commission File Number)

91-2032368 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

4991 CORPORATE DRIVE

HUNTSVILLE, AL 35805

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (256) 430-4000

n/a

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On September 7, 2006, Avocent Corporation (Avocent) entered into a Put Option Agreement with Zhuo Joe Wang, the President and Chief Executive Officer of LANDesk Group Limited (LANDesk), with respect to certain shares of Avocent Common Stock he acquired in connection with Avocent s acquisition of all of the outstanding shares of LANDesk (the Acquisition).

Under the Put Option Agreement, Mr. Wang (or the Wang Family Trust) has a one-time, ten-day option or put to require Avocent to purchase, at a price per share of \$28.21, any or all of the 502,354 shares of Avocent Common Stock Mr. Wang received in the Acquisition. The time period during which Mr. Wang may exercise the put option will commence on the date on which Avocent pays the Contingent Cash Consideration (as defined in the Put Option Agreement) (the earn-out) to former LANDesk shareholders or, if there is no earn-out, on certain other dates.

The Put Option Agreement is incorporated herein by reference and is filed as Exhibit 99.28 hereto.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number Description of Exhibit

99.28 Put Option Agreement dated September 7, 2006, between Avocent Corporation and Zhuo Wang

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

AVOCENT CORPORATION

Date: September 11, 2006

By: /s/ Edward H. Blankenship Edward H. Blankenship

Senior Vice President of Finance, Chief Financial Officer

and Assistant Secretary

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