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FORM 4

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

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** RUDOLPH FRANK W			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BANTA CORP [BN]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) 225 MAIN S 8003	(First) STREET, P. O.	(Middle) BOX	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/26/2005					(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice President				
				endment, Date Original nth/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _Form filed by More than One Reporting			
MENASHA (City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Nor	1-D	erivative S	Secur	ities Acq	Person uired, Disposed of			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Yea	r) Execution any		Code (Instr. 8		4. Securit n(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D) 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)		
Common Stock	04/26/2005			F		124	D	\$ 39.62	4,400	D		
Common Stock									1,221.576 (1)	I	401(k) Plan	

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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		te	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Pri Deriv Secun (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 28.45					11/05/2001	11/05/2011	Common Stock	11,800	
Stock Option	\$ 35.04					10/28/2002	10/28/2012	Common Stock	14,000	
Stock Option	\$ 37.8					10/27/2003	10/27/2013	Common Stock	14,000	
Stock Option	\$ 43.31					01/24/2005	01/24/2015	Common Stock	5,700	
Stock Option	\$ 45.95					04/26/2004	04/26/2014	Common Stock	5,213	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RUDOLPH FRANK W 225 MAIN STREET P. O. BOX 8003 MENASHA, WI 54952-8003

Vice President

Signatures

Ronald D. Kneezel, Attorney-in-fact 04/28/2005

**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).
- (1) Includes aggregate of 45.05 units acquired through the Banta Corporation 401(k) Plan.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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