

COGNEX CORP  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
**HOFFMASTER JAMES**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**COGNEX CORPORATION, ONE VISION DRIVE**

(Street)

**NATICK, MA 01760**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**COGNEX CORP [CGNX]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**01/29/2007**

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)  
**President and COO**

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

**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)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Num of S
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.195								01/01/2004	04/02/2013	Common Stock	18
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.66	01/29/2007	A	49,500					01/29/2008	01/29/2017	Common Stock	49
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.74								01/01/2003	02/11/2012	Common Stock	4,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.66								06/25/2002	06/25/2011	Common Stock	95
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.66								06/25/2006	06/25/2016	Common Stock	53
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.02								01/01/2006	01/10/2015	Common Stock	48
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.38								01/01/2007	01/30/2016	Common Stock	55
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.94								01/01/2005	02/25/2014	Common Stock	41

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HOFFMASTER JAMES COGNEX CORPORATION ONE VISION DRIVE NATICK, MA 01760			President and COO	

## Signatures

/s/ James F.  
Hoffmaster

01/31/2006

\_\_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) Since the date of the reporting person's last ownership report, he transferred stock options to purchase 172,928 shares of CGNX common stock to his ex-wife pursuant to a domestic relations order.

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