

ELLER TIMOTHY R  
Form 4  
December 11, 2007

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

OMB APPROVAL

OMB Number: 3235-0287  
Expires: January 31, 2005  
Estimated average burden hours per response... 0.5

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
ELLER TIMOTHY R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CENTEX CORP [CTX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O CENTEX CORPORATION, 2728 N. HARWOOD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/07/2007

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chief Executive Officer

(Street)  
DALLAS, TX 75201

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	12/07/2007		M <sup>(1)</sup>		355,518 A \$ 17.4112	606,030	D
Common Stock	12/07/2007		F <sup>(1)</sup>		281,998 D \$ 25.81	324,032	D
Common Stock	12/07/2007		M <sup>(2)</sup>		407,290 A \$ 17.7139	731,322	D
Common Stock	12/07/2007		F <sup>(2)</sup>		326,100 D \$ 25.81	405,222	D
Common Stock						290,710	D



## 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) Represents a "net exercise" of an aggregate of 355,518 stock options where 281,998 shares were used to pay the exercise price and taxes, and a net of 73,520 shares were acquired.

(2) Represents a "net exercise" of an aggregate of 407,290 stock options where 326,100 shares were used to pay the exercise price and taxes, and a net of 81,190 shares were acquired.

(3) These shares are owned directly by Granite Springs, Ltd., a limited partnership. The reporting person is (a) a general partner of such partnership, (b) trustee and a beneficiary of the T. Eller 2006 GRAT, a trust, which owns a limited partnership interest in such partnership, and (c) the spouse of a trustee and a beneficiary of the K. Eller 2006 GRAT, a trust, which also owns a limited partnership interest in such partnership.

(4) This award vested as follows: 20% on 3/31/1999, 20% on 3/31/2000, 20% on 3/31/2001, 20% on 3/31/2002 and 20% on 3/31/2003.

(5) This award vested as follows: 25% of 4/3/2001, 25% of 3/31/2002, 25% on 3/31/2003 and 25% on 3/31/2004.

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

Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.