

DITKOFF JAMES H  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**DITKOFF JAMES H**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**DANAHER CORP /DE/ [DHR]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**2099 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE,**  
**NW, 12TH FLOOR**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**04/26/2006**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

Senior VP-Finance & Tax

**WASHINGTON, DC 20006**

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	04/26/2006		M		16,000 A \$ 34.1563	84,919	D
Common Stock	04/26/2006		M		40,000 A \$ 31.85	124,919	D
Common Stock	04/26/2006		S		54,700 D \$ 65.14	70,219	D
Common Stock	04/26/2006		S		100 D \$ 65.17	70,119	D
Common Stock	04/26/2006		S		1,000 D \$ 65.18	69,119	D

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Common Stock	04/26/2006	S	200	D	\$ 65.27	68,919	D	
Common Stock						43,677	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock						60,000	I	By spouse
Common Stock						26,327	I	By GRAT
Common Stock						717	I	By trust for benefit of grandchild

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 34.1563	04/26/2006		M	16,000	<u>(1)</u>	12/05/2010	Common Stock	16,000
Employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 31.85	04/25/2006		M	40,000	<u>(2)</u>	03/01/2011	Common Stock	40,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

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Director      10% Owner      Officer      Other

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Senior  
VP-Finance &  
Tax

## Signatures

James F. O'Reilly, attorney-in-fact for James H.  
Ditkoff

04/27/2006

\_\_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) The reporting person received a grant of options to purchase 16,000 shares on December 5, 2000. Twenty percent of the options became exercisable on each of the first five anniversaries of the grant date.
- (2) The reporting person received a grant of options to purchase 200,000 shares on March 1, 2001. Fifty percent of the options granted became exercisable on each of the fourth and fifth anniversaries of the grant date.

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