

HENDERSON JAMES A  
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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 \*  
 HENDERSON JAMES A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 NANOPHASE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION [NANX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1319 MARQUETTE DRIVE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/10/2009

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

ROMEDEVILLE, IL 60446

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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**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)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 8,410   | D  |                                   |

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)**



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- 2,000 shares of common stock were to be granted under the Company's 2005 Non-Employee Director Restricted Stock Plan. Such shares are vested immediately but subject to certain transfer restrictions. Pursuant to such plan, the reporting person elected to defer receipt of such shares and receive instead 2,000 shares of deferred common stock which, along with the 18,030 similar shares granted previously, will be accounted for under the Company's Non-Employee Director Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (3)
- (4) The deferred common stock becomes payable upon the reporting person's termination of service as a director of the Company.
- Pursuant to such plan, the reporting person elected to defer receipt of such shares and receive 2,000 shares of deferred common stock,
- (5) amounting to a cumulative total of 20,030 shares of deferred common stock received (including those received from previous grants) to date, which will all be accounted for under the Company's Non-Employee Director Deferred Compensation Plan.

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