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	For Period Ended: o Transition Report on Form 10-K o Transition Report on Form 20-F o Transition Report on Form 11-K o Transition Report on Form 10-Q o Transition Report on Form N-SAR		December 31, 20	_		
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Nothing in this form shall be construed to imply that the Commission has verified any information contained herein.

If the notification relates to a portion of the filing checked above, identify the Item(s) to which the notification relates:

PART I REGISTRANT INFORMATION

Quanex Corporation

Full Name of Registrant

Former Name if Applicable

1900 West Loop South, Suite 1500

Address of Principal Executive Office (Street and Number)

Houston, Texas 77027

City, State and Zip Code

PART II RULES 12b-25(b) AND (c)

If the subject report could not be filed without unreasonable effort or expense and the registrant seeks relief pursuant to Rule 12b-25(b), the following should be completed. (Check box if appropriate)

- (a) The reason described in reasonable detail in Part III of this form could not be eliminated without unreasonable effort or expense;
- (b) The subject annual report, semi-annual report, transition report on Form 10-K, Form 20-F, 11-K, Form N-SAR or Form N-CSR, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifteenth calendar
- ý day following the prescribed due date; or the subject quarterly report or transition report on Form 10-Q, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifth calendar day following the prescribed due date; and
 - (c) The accountant's statement or other exhibit required by Rule 12b-25(c) has been attached if applicable.

PART III NARRATIVE

State below in reasonable detail why Forms 10-K, 20-F, 11-K, 10-Q, N-SAR, N-CSR, or the transition report or portion thereof, could not be filed within the prescribed time period.

Form 11-K for the Quanex Corporation 401(k) Savings Plan for Hourly Employees for the year ended December 31, 2003 will not be filed by the prescribed due date. The report could not be filed without unreasonable effort or expense due to an unavoidable delay due to illness in obtaining the necessary signatures to the report.

(Attach extra Sheets if Needed)

SEC 1344 (07-03) 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 control number.

PART IV OTHER INFORMATION

(1) Name and telephone number of person to contact in regard to this notification

	Thomas Roy	oyce 713			877-5376
	(Name)		(Area Code)		(Telephone Number)
(2)	Have all other periodic reports require Investment Company Act of 1940 due such report(s) been filed? If answer is				
				2	ý Yes o No
(3)	Is it anticipated that any significant cl reflected by the earnings statements to				e last fiscal year will be 9 Yes ý No
	If so, attach an explanation of the anti reasonable estimate of the results can		ively and quantitatively, and,	if approp	riate, state the reasons why a
	_	Quanex	Corporation		
has ca	used this notification to be signed on its		t as Specified in Charter) hereunto duly authorized.		
Date	June 29, 2004			Ву	/s/ Thomas R. Royce
title of author	CUCTION: The form may be signed by the person signing the form shall be typ zed representative (other than an execu ith the form.	ped or printed beneath the s	ignature. If the statement is sig	gned on b	ehalf of the registrant by an
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		Intentional misstatemer constitute Federal C (See 18 U.S	riminal Violations		
		GENERAL INS	TRUCTIONS		
1.	This form is required by Rule 12b-2	5 (17 CEP 240 12b 25) of t	he General Pules and Pegulat	ions und	or the Securities Exchange Act

This form is required by Rule 12b-25 (17 CFR 240.12b-25) of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

2.

One signed original and four conformed copies of this form and amendments thereto must be completed and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C. 20549, in accordance with Rule 0-3 of the General Rules and Regulations under the

Act. The information contained in or filed with the form will be made a matter of public record in the Commission files.

A manually signed copy of the form and amendments thereto shall be filed with each national securities exchange on which any class of securities of the registrant is registered.

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3.

Amendments to the notifications must also be filed on Form 12b-25 but need not restate information that has been correctly furnished. The form shall be clearly identified as an amended notification.

Electronic Filers. This form shall not be used by electronic filers unable to timely file a report solely due to electronic difficulties. Filers unable to submit a report within the time period prescribed due to difficulties in electronic filing should comply with either Rule 201 or Rule 202 of Regulation S-T (§232.201 or §232.202 of this chapter) or apply for an adjustment in filing date pursuant to Rule 13(b) of Regulation S-T (§232.13(b) of this chapter).