FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     CORASANTI EUGENE R							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CONMED CORP [ CNMD ]									ip of Reportin plicable) ctor	g Person(s) to	
(Last) 9 CARM	(Fi IEN LANE	rst) (	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2004									Officer (give title below)  Chairman of I		below	(specify )
(Street) UTICA (City)	N'		13501 (Zip)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 03/08/2004									dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person			
1. Title of	tion y/Year)	Execution Date,			3. 4. Security Dispose and 5)			of, or E	A) or 5. Am Secur Benef Owne		ount of ities icially d	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership					
								Code	v	Amoun	it (A)	or Pri	ice	Follor Report Trans (Instr.		Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 03/05/20									М		3,76	55	<b>A</b> \$1	13.17	28	3,427(1)	D	
Common Stock 03/05				03/05/2	004				S		3,765		A :	\$29	279,662(2)		D	
Common Stock															6	3,787	I	Spouse
		Ta	able II	- Derivat					uired, Di	•		,		•	wned			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	emed ion Date,	4. Transac Code (II 8)	tion	5. Number		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		ble and		nd of es ng	8. F of Der Sec (Ins	Price erivative ecurity estr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
						v	(A)		Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amou or Number of Shares	er				
Options to purchase common stock	\$13.17	08/08/1988			M			3,765	12/16/1997	12	/16/2006	Common Stock	3,76	5	\$0	730,354 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. original amount reported 238,594
- 2. original amount reported 234,829
- 3. original amount reported 775,237

/s/ Gene Corasanti 03/10/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Data

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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).

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