FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* WILLIAMS FRANK R						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CONMED CORP [CNMD]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner							
(Last) 2627 ED	(Fi	,	Middle)		05/18	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/18/2004										X Officer (give title below) VICE PRE			Other (specify below)			
(Street) UTICA (City)	N (Si		13501 Zip)		4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/						Execution Date,			Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. and 5)			rities Ac ed Of (D			4 Securii Benefi Owned		es ally	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
					Code	v	Amoun	nt (A) or (D)		Price	Rep Tran	owing orted nsaction(s) tr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		(Instr. 4)						
Common	Stock											12,524		524	D							
	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. Dee Execution if any (Month/	on Date,	Code (Ir				6. Date Exe Expiration (Month/Da			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivati Security (Instr. 5	ve :	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	,	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		piration te	Title	or Nu of	mber ares								
Options to purchase common stock	\$25.03	05/18/2004			A		10,000		05/18/2005	05.	/18/2014	Commo Stock	ⁿ 10	,000	\$0		77,841		D			

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Frank R. Williams 05/19/2004

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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