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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

<b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</b> <u>STARR EUGENE</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O CONMED CORP</u> <u>525FRENCH ROAD</u>  (Street) <u>UTICA NY 13502-5994</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	<b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b> <u>CONMED CORP [ CNMD ]</u>	<b>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</b> (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>President-Electrosurgery</u>
	<b>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)</b> <u>12/12/2003</u>	
	<b>4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)</b>	
<b>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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/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	12/12/2003		M		27,001	A	\$21.15	27,573	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2003		S		1,000	D	\$23.12	26,573	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2003		S		3,200	D	\$23.05	23,373	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2003		S		700	D	\$23	22,673	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2003		S		2,788	D	\$23.01	19,885	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2003		S		200	D	\$23.02	19,685	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2003		S		3,300	D	\$22.95	16,385	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2003		S		100	D	\$22.96	16,285	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2003		S		100	D	\$22.97	16,185	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2003		S		300	D	\$23.04	15,885	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2003		S		3,791	D	\$23.06	12,094	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2003		S		1,400	D	\$23.15	10,694	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2003		S		600	D	\$23.17	10,094	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2003		S		1,500	D	\$23.08	8,594	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2003		S		400	D	\$23.09	8,194	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2003		S		300	D	\$23.15	7,894	D	
Common Stock	12/12/2003		S		500	D	\$23.25	7,394	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2003		S		500	D	\$24.4	6,894	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2003		S		300	D	\$24.03	6,594	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2003		S		922	D	\$23.5	5,672	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2003		S		100	D	\$23.6	5,572	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2003		S		2,100	D	\$23.9	3,472	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2003		S		1,464	D	\$23.88	2,008	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2003		S		1,036	D	\$23.89	972	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2003		S		300	D	\$23.93	672	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2003		S		100	D	\$23.91	572	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. 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (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	Expiration Date						Title
Options to purchase common stock	\$21.15	12/12/2003		M		27,001		08/08/2002	08/08/2011	Common Stock	0	\$0	45,501	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

/s/ Eugene Starr

12/16/2003

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person      Date

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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