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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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WOODARD GERALD G (Last) (First) (Middle) 3983 MORENO DRIVE (Street) PALM HARBOR FL 34685 (City) (State) (Zip)	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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) PRESIDENT - LINVATEC
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2006	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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			

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
RSUs (Restricted Stock Units) ⁽¹⁾	(1)	05/16/2006		A		2,000		05/16/2007 ⁽¹⁾	05/16/2016 ⁽¹⁾	Common Stock	2,000	\$0	2,000	D	
SAR's (Stock Appreciation Rights) ⁽²⁾	\$19.93	05/16/2006		A		5,000		05/16/2007 ⁽²⁾	05/16/2016 ⁽²⁾	Common Stock	5,000	\$0 ⁽³⁾	5,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share of ConMed Corporation (the "Company") and will be subject to the terms and conditions of the Company's 2006 Stock Incentive Plan, with the RSUs generally vesting over a five year period with the first 20% of the RSU's vesting one year after the grant date.
- The stock appreciation rights ("SARs") were granted under the Issuer's 2006 Stock Incentive Plan and generally vest in equal amounts over a five year period.
- The SARs were granted at no cost to the Reporting Person.

/s/ Gerald G. Woodard 05/18/2006

** 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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