

NANOPHASE TECHNOLOGIES CORPORATION

Form 4

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FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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 1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WHITMORE R JANET

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
 Symbol
**NANOPHASE TECHNOLOGIES
 CORPORATION [NANX]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
 Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1319 MARQUETTE DRIVE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
02/18/2015

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

ROMEDEVILLE, IL 60446

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original
 Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
 Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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 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 (D) Price			
Common Stock					32,675	I	By Daughter
Common Stock					856,371	D	

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

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.36 ⁽¹⁾					01/31/2012 01/31/2021	Common Stock 10,000
Deferred Common Stock	⁽²⁾					⁽³⁾ ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	Common Stock 2,000
Stock Appreciation Right ⁽⁵⁾	\$ 0.99					⁽⁵⁾ ⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock 2,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.3 ⁽¹⁾					08/07/2013 08/07/2022	Common Stock 10,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.415 ⁽¹⁾					02/14/2014 02/14/2023	Common Stock 10,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.52 ⁽⁶⁾					02/13/2015 02/13/2024	Common Stock 10,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.44 ⁽¹⁾	02/18/2015		A	9,000	02/18/2016 02/18/2025	Common Stock 9,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WHITMORE R JANET 1319 MARQUETTE DRIVE ROMEDEVILLE, IL 60446			X	

Signatures

By Frank Cesario under UPA for R. Janet Whitmore

02/19/2015

 **Signature of Reporting Person

____ Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) Subject to certain rights and restrictions, beginning on this date, options vest in three equal annual installments.
- (2) Each share of deferred common stock represents a right to receive one share of common stock.
- (3) The deferred common stock becomes payable upon the reporting person's termination of service as a director of the Company.
- (4) Pursuant to such plan, the reporting person elected to defer receipt of such shares and receive a cumulative total of 20,030 shares of deferred common stock which will all be accounted for under the Company's Non-Employee Director Deferred Compensation Plan.

- The stock appreciation right becomes payable upon the reporting person's termination of service as a director of the Company. 2,000 were issued 4/8/2009 at a conversion price of \$0.90, 2,000 were issued 7/1/2009 at a conversion price of \$1.05, 2,000 were issued 10/1/2009 at a conversion price of \$1.18, 2,000 were issued 1/4/2010 at a conversion price of \$0.84, 2,000 were issued 4/1/2010 at a conversion price of \$1.85, 2,000 were issued 7/1/2010 at a conversion price of \$1.10, and 2,000 were issued 10/1/2010 at a conversion price of \$0.99.
- (5)
 - (6) Beginning on this date, subject to certain restrictions, the stock option vests in three equal annual installments.

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