

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
KNEEZEL RONALD D

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
225 MAIN STREET, P. O. BOX  
8003  
(Street)

MENASHA, WI 54952-8003

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BANTA CORP [BN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/21/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP, General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				(A) or (D)	Price					
Common Stock	12/21/2006		M	V	14,000	A	\$ 16.34	34,576	D	
Common Stock	12/21/2006		F		6,295	D	\$ 36.34	28,281	D	
Common Stock	12/21/2006		F		2,559	D	\$ 36.34	25,722	D	

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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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 18.16					10/27/1999	10/26/2008	Common Stock	17,268
Stock Option	\$ 19.78					11/05/2002	11/05/2011	Common Stock	21,585
Stock Option	\$ 24.36					10/28/2003	10/28/2012	Common Stock	20,146
Stock Option	\$ 26.27					10/27/2004	10/27/2013	Common Stock	20,146
Stock Option	\$ 30.1					01/24/2006	01/24/2015	Common Stock	9,333
Stock Option	\$ 31.94					04/26/2005	04/26/2014	Common Stock	8,056
Stock Option	\$ 35.36					01/29/2007	01/29/2016	Common Stock	8,433
Stock Option	\$ 16.34	12/21/2006		M	14,000	10/25/2000	10/24/2009	Common Stock	14,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KNEEZEL RONALD D 225 MAIN STREET P. O. BOX 8003 MENASHA, WI 54952-8003			VP, General Counsel	

## Signatures

Ronald D  
Kneezel

12/21/2006

\_\_Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) Balances and prices adjusted to reflect the special dividend of \$16.00 per share payable on November 21, 2006.

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