

ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 LETHAM DENNIS J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC  
 [AXE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Executive VP-Finance & CFO

C/O ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC., 2301 PATRIOT BLVD

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

GLENVIEW, IL 60026

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 07/15/2008                           |  | M                              | 3,668   | A \$ 10.85  | 135,375 <sup>(1)</sup>                                   | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 07/15/2008                           |  | S <sup>(2)</sup>               | 2,768   | D \$ 55.9437  | 132,607 <sup>(1)</sup>                                   | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 07/15/2008                           |  | S <sup>(2)</sup>               | 900   | D \$ 56.9744  | 131,707 <sup>(1)</sup>                                   | D   |
| Common Stock                    | 07/15/2008                           |  | M <sup>(5)</sup>               | 4,750   | A \$ 17.47  | 136,457 <sup>(1)</sup>                                   | D   |

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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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Options to purchase common stock                | \$ 10.85   | 07/15/2008                           |  | M                              | 3,668   | 03/01/2000 03/01/2009                                    | Common stock  | 3,668                         |
| Options to purchase common stock <sup>(6)</sup> | \$ 17.47   | 07/15/2008                           |  | M                              | 4,750   | 02/18/2001 02/18/2010                                    | Common stock  | 4,750                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                            |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                    | Other |
| LETHAM DENNIS J<br>C/O ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC.<br>2301 PATRIOT BLVD<br>GLENVIEW, IL 60026 |               |           | Executive VP-Finance & CFO |       |

## Signatures

Michele Nelson,  
attorney-in-fact

07/17/2008

\_\_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) Total Includes 52,504 common stock units.
- (2) These shares covered by this Form 4 have been sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1(c) plan dated April 25, 2007.
- (3) This is the weighted average for sale prices ranging from \$55.65 to \$56.58. Upon the request of the SEC staff, the issuer or any security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold will be provided.
- (4) This is the weighted average for sale prices ranging from \$56.76 to 57.23. Upon the request of the SEC staff, the issuer or any security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold will be provided.
- (5) These shares covered by this Form 4 have been obtained pursuant to the exercise of an option under a Rule 10b5-1(c) plan dated May 2, 2008.  
These options were previously reported as covering 65,000 shares at an exercise price of \$20.4375. The exercise price and totals have
- (6) been adjusted pursuant to anti-dilution provisions triggered by extraordinary cash dividends paid on March 31, 2004 and October 31, 2005.

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