#### ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC

Form 4

October 23, 2008

# FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * THEOBALD THOMAS C			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ANIXTER INTERNATIONAL INC [AXE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)
(Last)  8 SOUND SE	(First)	(Middle) E, SUITE	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/22/2008	XDirector10% OwnerOfficer (give title below)Other (specify below)
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
GREENWICH, CT 06830				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State)	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or Do (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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)	
Common Stock	10/22/2008		P	1,000	A	\$ 35.76	3,000 (1)	I	Held in trust for son.	
Common Stock	10/22/2008		P	1,000	A	\$ 35.76	1,500 (2)	I	Held by daughter.	
Common Stock							1,500 (3)	I	Held in custody account for daughter.	
Common							67,359 <u>(4)</u>	D		

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#### Stock

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)	4. Transa Code (Instr.		5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Secur	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
			Code	V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
THEOBALD THOMAS C 8 SOUND SHORE DRIVE SUITE 285 GREENWICH, CT 06830	X							

## Signatures

Michele Nelson, by power of attorney 10/23/2008 \*\*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).
- These shares are held in trust for the benefit of the reporting person's son. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these **(1)** securities.
- (2) These shares are held by reporting person's adult child. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.
- (3) These shares are held in a custody account for minor child. The reporting person discliams beneficial ownership of these securities.

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#### (4) Includes 7,426 common stock units.

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