## BENKOVIC JAMES A Form 5 February 12, 2003

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FORM 5

#### ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

- |\_| Check box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b). |\_| Form 3 Holdings Reported |X| Form 4 Transactions Reported 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person\* Benkovic James (Last) (First) (Middle) 1931 Black Rock Turnpike \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Street) Fairfield CT \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Zip) (City) (State) 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Acme United Corporation (ACU) 3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an Entity (Voluntary)
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If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

Statement for Month/Year

December 31, 2002

6.	Relationship of (Check all appl							
	_  Director  X  Officer (g	ive title belo	ow)	_  10% Owner  _  Other (spe	cify below)			
	Vice President	of Sales						
7.	Individual or J	oint/Group Fil	ling (check ap	oplicable line)				
	X  Form filed  _  Form filed							
====	Table I -		ive Securities	S Acquired, Disp				
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)		Date	Date, if any	3	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Am Se Be Ow at
				Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	of Fi
	non Stock	2/26/2001		A5	600	A		12
Comm		2/26/2001	A	A5	300	А		12
Comm	non Stock	8/02/2001		A5	400	A		12
	non Stock	1/23/2002		A5	600	А		12
Comm	non Stock	1/23/2002		A5	400	А		12

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

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Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1.	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3A. Deemed 3. Execut- Trans- ion action Date if Date any (mm/dd/ (mm/dd/	Deemed Execut-	Trans- action Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) (D)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)			Date if any (mm/dd/				Date Expira- Exer- tion cisable Date		Title	or Number of Shares
		уу)	уу)		(A)					
Stock Option	3.6250	1/24/199	95	A5*	5 <b>,</b> 000		1/24/98	1/24/05	Common Stock	
Stock Option	4.0000	6/25/199	96	A5*	3,000		6/25/99	6/25/06	Common Stock	
Stock Option	5.3750	1/27/1998		A5*	2,000		1/27/01	1/27/08	Common Stock	
Stock Option	2.1250	1/26/1999		A5*	5 <b>,</b> 000		1/26/02	1/26/09	Common Stock	
Stock Option	2.1250	6/22/199	99 	A5*	3,000		6/22/02	1/26/09	Common Stock	
Stock Option	1.6250	1/25/200	00	A5*	5 <b>,</b> 000		(a)	1/25/13	Common Stock	
Stock Option	2.3750	4/21/200	00	A5*	5 <b>,</b> 000		(b)	1/25/13	Common Stock	
Stock Option	3.5600	10/10/2000		A5*	5,000		(c)	1/25/13	Common Stock	
Stock Option	2.7500	5/07/200	)1	A5*	7,000		(d)	1/25/13	Common Stock	
Stock Option	3.0500	11/12/20	001	A5*	10,000		(e)	11/12/11	Common Stock	

Explanation of Responses:

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<sup>(</sup>a) 1,250 shares vested on January 25, 2000, 1,250 shares vested on January 25, 2001, 1,250 shares 1,250 shares will vest on January 25,2003. (b) 1,250 shares vested on April 21, 2000, 1,250 shares

shares vested on April 21, 2002 and 1,250 will vest on April 21, 2003. (c) 1,250 shares vested on vested on October 10, 2001, 1,250 shares vested on October 10, 2002 and 1,250 shares will vest on vested on May 7, 2001, 1,750 shares vested on May 7, 2002, 1,750 shares will vest on May 7, 2003 (e) 2,500 shares vested on November 12, 2001, 2,500 shares vested on November 12, 2002, 2,500 shares vested on November 10, 2004.

/s/ James Benkovic February 10, 2003

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

\*\* 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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