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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement GENTEX CORP [GNTX] A Newton Mark W (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2008 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 622 SLEEPY HOLLOW LANE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person HOLLAND, MIÂ 49423 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One VP Purchasing & Advanced Reporting Person Techn (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4) Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Common Stock 8,000 D Â

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			(Instr. 4)	·	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative	Security:	
					Security	Direct (D)	
						or Indirect	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	09/29/2006(1)	09/29/2010	Common Stock	4,013	\$ 17.13 <u>(2)</u>	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	09/20/2007(3)	09/20/2013	Common Stock	8,000	\$ 14.36 <u>(2)</u>	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	09/25/2008(3)	09/25/2014	Common Stock	9,600	\$ 19.59 (2)	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Newton Mark W 622 SLEEPY HOLLOW LANE HOLLAND, MI 49423	Â	Â	VP Purchasing & Advanced Techn	Â	

Signatures

/s/ Mark W.
Newton

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) These shares become exercisable as to 25% one year after date of grant and an additional 25% at each ensuing anniversary date.
- (2) Options granted under the Gentex Corporation Employee Stock Option Plan which is a Rule 16B plan.
- (3) These shares become exercisable as to 20% one year after date of grant and an additional 20% at each ensuing anniversary date.

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