

CESARIO FRANK
Form 4
May 29, 2012

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CESARIO FRANK

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
NANOPHASE TECHNOLOGIES
CORPORATION [NANX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1319 MARQUETTE DRIVE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/29/2012

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Chief Financial Officer

ROMEDEVILLE, IL 60446

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
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	05/29/2012	05/29/2012	P		6,153	A	\$ 0.4
Common Stock	05/29/2012	05/29/2012	P		11,257	A	\$ 0.42

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.
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 1.07					06/24/2010 ⁽¹⁾ 06/24/2019	Common Stock	20,000
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 1.7					05/03/2011 ⁽¹⁾ 05/03/2020	Common Stock	20,000
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 1.26					05/02/2012 ⁽¹⁾ 05/02/2021	Common Stock	31,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
CESARIO FRANK 1319 MARQUETTE DRIVE ROMEOVILLE, IL 60446	Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Frank
Cesario 05/29/2012

**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) Subject to certain restrictions, beginning on this date, options vest in three equal annual installments.

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