FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  MERTES JAMES L					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERIGON INC [ ARGN ]							ck all applic Directo	able)	g Person(s) to Issu 10% Ov		vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5462 IRWINDALE AVENUE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/29/2006							below)	er (give title v) VP Ops/Eng/C		Other (s below) uality	pecify
(Street)	OALE C	A	91706		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						Line	Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)	(S	state)	(Zip)									Person				
		Tal	ble I - Non-	-Derivat	ive Se	curitie	s Ac	quired, Di	sposed o	f, or Ber	neficiall	y Owned				
Date			2. Transact Date (Month/Day	Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 3, 4) 5) 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4)				5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported	es Formally (D) (Sollowing (I) (I		m: Direct or Indirect Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
						Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)		
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)															
Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Tr Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any C			Cod	saction of I		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)			ies g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Cod	e V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Option to purchase Common	\$9.66	12/29/2006		A		18,000		12/29/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/29/2016	Common Stock	18,000	\$9.66	18,000 <sup>(</sup>	2)	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The Derivative Securities are exercisable subject to a time vesting schedule which allows the Reporting Person to utilize 25 percent of the Derivative Securities on the Date of Grant and an additional 25 percent of the Derivative Securities on each of the first, second and third anniversary dates of the Grant date respectively.
- 2. This amount represents the total number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned of the class shown (i.e. the same exercise price and expiration date). The Reporting Person owns a total of 161,000 Options to purchase Common Stock of varying classes (i.e. varying exercise prices and expiration dates).

01/03/2007 James L. Mertes Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

- \* 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).

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