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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add Person <u>*</u> SOMMA R		orting	2. Date of Event Requ Statement (Month/Day/Year)	e 5. 155del 14dil	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GENTEX CORP [GNTX]						
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	05/12/2005	4. Relationshi Person(s) to I	ip of Reporting ssuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					
794 PALMS F BLOOMFIEL HILLS, MIÂ	(Street)			X Director Officer	all applicable) r 10% (Other w) (specify belo	Owner	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	e I - Non-Derivat	ive Securiti	ies Beneficially Owned					
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)	y			ount of Securities cially Owned 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Na Owne (Instr					
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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 (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	

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(I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships						
			tor	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SOMMA RANDE S 794 PALMS ROAD BLOOMFIELD HILLS,Â	MIÂ 48304	Â	X	Â	Â	Â			
Signatures									
/s/ Rande S. Somma	05/12/2005								
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Person	Date								
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Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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