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(Print or Type	Responses)										
Cimino Richard F Symbo			Symbol		nd Ticker o	r Tradi	0	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Check	all applicable)		
(Month/ COVANCE INC., 210 CARNEGIE 11/03/2 CENTER			Day/Year) 2009				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Corporate Sr. Vice President				
	(Street)			endment, onth/Day/Y	Date Origin ear)	al	-	5. Individual or Joi Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by Ou Form filed by Mo	ne Reporting Per	rson	
PRINCETO	ON, NJ 08540-62	33						Person	sie than one rej	porting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non	-Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) 4. Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			Code (Instr. 8)	iomr Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of (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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	11/03/2009			Code V M	7 Amount8,794	(D) A	Price \$ 29.69	52,242	D		
Common Stock	11/03/2009			S	13,866	D	\$ 52.6336	38,376	D		
Common Stock - 401(k) Plan	11/04/2009			Ι	558	D	\$ 51.91	0	I	Held By Trustee	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	FransactionDerivativeCodeSecurities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. D S (I
				Code V	(A) (D		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.69	11/03/2009		М	8,7	94	02/25/2006	02/24/2014	Common Stock	8,794	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Cimino Richard F								
COVANCE INC.			Corporate Sr.					
210 CARNEGIE CENTER			Vice President					
PRINCETON, NJ 08540-6233								
Signatures								

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/s/ Ross A. Hyams, Power of 11/05/2009 Attorney

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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