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FORM 5

	ANNUAL STATEMENT OF	CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWN	ERSHIP							
	Filed pursuant to Section 16(a Section 17(a) of the Public Section 30(h) of the		ct of 1935 or							
_	Check box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction $1\mathrm{(b)}$.									
_	Form 3 Holdings Reported									
X	Form 4 Transactions Reported									
1.	Name and Address of Reporting	Person*								
	Ward, III	Stevenson	E.							
	(Last)	(First)	(Middle)							
	1931 Black Rock Turnpike									
		(Street)								
	Fairfield	CT	06825							
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)							
2.	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trace	ding Symbol								
	Acme United Corporation (ACU)									
3.	I.R.S. Identification Number	of Reporting Person, if an	Entity (Voluntary)							
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4.	Statement for Month/Year									
	December 31, 2002									
5.	If Amendment, Date of Origina	l (Month/Year)								
6.	Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable)	son(s) to Issuer								
	X Director _ Officer (give title below	_ 10% Owne w)	r pecify below)							
7.	Individual or Joint/Group Fil:	ing (check applicable line	.)							
	IXI Form filed by One Reports	ing Person								

|_| Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

i. Pitle of Security (Instr. 3)	Date (mm/dd/yy)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Amount	ed of (D) 4 and 5) (A) or (D)	Price	Beneficially Owned at the End of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 & 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr.4)	

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see instruction $4\left(b\right)\left(v\right)$.

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Explanation of Responses:

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)	of Deriv- ative Secur-	3. Trans- action Date	Date if any	Trans- action Code	(Instr 4 and	tive ties ed (A) posed . 3,	Expirati (Month/E Date Exer-	on Date Day/Year) Expira- tion		ying s and 4) Amount or Number of	8. Price of Deriv- ative Secur- ity (Instr.	9. Number of Deriv- ative Secur- ities Bene- ficially Owned at End of Year (Instr. 4)	In- direct (I)	11. Nature of In- direct Bene- ficial Owner- ship (Instr. 4)
Stock Option	2.90	4/24/200)1	A5*	10,000		(a)	4/24/11	Common Stock			12,500	D	
Stock Option	4.20	4/22/200)2	A5*	2,500		4/22/02	4/22/12	Common Stock			12,500	D	

/s/ Stevenson E. Ward

January 21, 2003

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

** 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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