AVID TECHNOLOGY INC

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GREENFIELD GARY G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

AVID TECHNOLOGY INC [AVID]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Symbol

(Check all applicable)

Chief Executive Officer

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director

Issuer

10% Owner Other (specify

9800 BENT CROSS DRIVE

(Month/Day/Year) 12/19/2007

X_ Officer (give title below) below)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

POTOMAC, MD 20854

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock

12/19/2007

100,000 Α (1)

A \$0 100,000

D

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)

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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 torDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.42	12/19/2007		A	725,000		(2)(3)(4)	12/19/2014	Common Stock	725,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Fg	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
GREENFIELD GARY G 9800 BENT CROSS DRIVE POTOMAC, MD 20854	X		Chief Executive Officer					

Signatures

vesting date;

/s/ John S. LaMountain as Power of Attorney for Gary G.
Greenfield

12/20/2007

**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).
 - Represents restricted stock award which shall vest as to 25% of the shares on January 1, 2009 and thereafter in equal quarterly
- (1) installments of 6.25% until fully vested on January 1, 2012, as long as Mr. Greenfield is employed by the Company on each such vesting date.
- 100,000 shares will vest on a time-based schedule in equal 6.25% increments every three (3) months, with the first vesting date on March (2) 19, 2008 and the last vesting date on December 19, 2011, as long as Mr. Greenfield is still employed by the Company on each such
- (3) 300,000 shares will vest on a performance-based schedule tied to the Company's stock price; and
- (4) 325,000 shares will vest on a performance-based schedule tied to the Company's stock price or the achievment of certain financial metrics.

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