AVID TECHNOLOGY INC

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Arnold Kirk E			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			AVID TECHNOLOGY INC [AVID]			(Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First) (1	Middle)	3. Date of	Earliest Tr	ansaction					
52 LONGACRE ROAD			(Month/Day/Year) 02/11/2008				DirectorX Officer (give below) Execute		Owner er (specify	
	4. If Amer	4. If Amendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
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1.Title of	2. Transaction Dat			3.	4. Securit		•	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year)	any	on Date, if Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	on(A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4	•		Securities Beneficially Owned	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Indirect Beneficial Ownership
		(WOILL)	Day/ I cair)	Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/11/2008			A	35,000 ₍₁₎	A	\$0	35,000	D	

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

(1)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	onDerivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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)	\$ 20.98	02/11/2008		A	245,000		(2)(3)(4)	02/11/2018	Common Stock	245,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Keiationsnips					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

Arnold Kirk E 52 LONGACRE ROAD NEEDHAM, MA 02492

Executive Vice President

Signatures

/s/ John S. LaMountain, as Power of Attorney for Kirk E. Arnold

02/13/2008

**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).
- (1) Represents restricted stock unit award which will vest over four years.
 - 35,000 shares of stock will vest on a time-based schedule in equal 6.25% increments every three months, with the first vesting date on
- (2) May 11, 2008, and the last vesting date on February 11, 2012, as long as Ms. Arnold is still employed by the Company on each such vesting date.
- (3) 100,000 shares will vest on a performance-based schedule tied to the Company's stock price.
- (4) 110,000 shares will vest on a performance-based schedule tied to the Company's stock price or the achievement of certain financial matters.

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