AVID TECHNOLOGY, INC.

Form S-8 June 12, 2017

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

FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Avid Technology, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware 04-2977748 (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

75 Network Drive

Burlington, Massachusetts

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

01803

(Zip Code)

Amended and Restated 2014 Stock Incentive Plan (Full Title of the Plan)

Jason A. Duva, Esq.

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(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 under the Exchange Act.

Large
accelerated Accelerated filer x
filer

o (Do not check if a Non-accelerated smaller smaller reporting company reporting company)

Emerging Growth Company

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

		Proposed	Proposed	
Title of Securities to be	Amount to be	Maximum	Maximum	Amount of
Registered	Registered (1)	Offering	Aggregate Offering	Registration Fee
		Price Per Share (2)	Price (2)	
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share	1,290,000 shares	\$5.01	\$6,462,900	\$749.06

⁽¹⁾ In accordance with Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement shall be deemed to cover any additional securities that may from time to time be offered or issued to prevent dilution resulting from stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions.

Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rules 457(c) and 457(h) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and based upon the average of the high and low prices of Avid Technology, Inc.'s Common Stock as reported on the NASDAQ Global Select Market on June 8, 2017, which was \$5.01 per share.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") is being filed for the purpose of registering an additional 1,290,000 shares of the \$0.01 par value per share common stock (the "Common Stock") of Avid Technology, Inc. (the "Company"), which have been authorized and reserved for issuance under the Avid Technology, Inc. Amended and Restated 2014 Stock Incentive Plan. Accordingly, the contents of the Company's registration statement on Form S-8 filed with the SEC on November 12, 2014 (File No. 333-200139) is incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement pursuant to General Instruction E of Form S-8.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The Company is subject to the informational and reporting requirements of Sections 13(a), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and in accordance therewith files reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"). The following documents, which are on file with the Commission, are incorporated in this Registration Statement by reference:

The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016 filed with the Commission on March 23, 2017 (File No. 001-36254), including the information specifically incorporated by reference into the Annual Report on Form 10-K from the Company's definitive proxy statement for the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders;

All other reports filed pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act since the end of the fiscal year (b)covered by the document referred to in (a) above (other than the portions of those documents not deemed to be filed); and

The description of Common Stock contained in the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the (c) Commission on November 12, 2014 (File No. 001-36254), including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

All documents subsequently filed by the Company pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act, prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment that indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or that deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be part hereof from the date of the filing of such documents.

Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for the purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document that also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

Item 8. Exhibits.

The Exhibit Index immediately preceding the exhibits is incorporated herein by reference.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized in Burlington, Massachusetts, on June 12, 2017.

Avid Technology, Inc.

By: /s/ Brian E. Agle Brian E. Agle Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY AND SIGNATURES

We, the undersigned officers and directors of Avid Technology, Inc., hereby severally constitute and appoint Louis Hernandez, Jr., Brian E. Agle and Jason Duva, and each of them singly, our true and lawful attorneys with full power to them, and each of them singly, to sign for us and in our names in the capacities indicated below, the registration statement on Form S-8 filed herewith and any and all subsequent amendments to said registration statement, and generally to do all such things in our names and on our behalf in our capacities as officers and directors to enable Avid Technology, Inc. to comply with the provisions of the Securities Act, and all requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission, hereby ratifying and confirming our signatures as they may be signed by our said attorneys, or any of them, to said registration statement and any and all amendments thereto.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Louis Hernandez, Jr.	Chairman of the Board, Director, and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	June 12, 2017
Louis Hernandez, Jr. /s/ Brian E. Agle		
Brian E. Agle	Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Office	r)2017
/s/ Ryan H. Murray	Vice President of Finance and Chief Accounting Officer (Principal	June 12,
Ryan H. Murray	Accounting Officer)	2017
/s/ Robert M. Bakish	Director	June 12,
Robert M. Bakish	Director	2017
/s/ Paula E. Boggs	Director	June 12,
Paula E. Boggs	Director	2017
/s/ Elizabeth M. Daley	Director	June 12,
Elizabeth M. Daley		2017
/s/ Nancy Hawthorne	Director	June 12,
Nancy Hawthorne		2017
/s/ John H. Park	Director	June 12,
John H. Park		2017
/s/ John P. Wallace	Director	June 12,
John P. Wallace		2017
/s/ Peter M. Westley	Director	June 12,
Peter M. Westley		2017

EXHIBIT INDEX

Number Description

- 3.1 Certificate of Amendment of the Third Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on July 27, 2005)(File No. 000-21174)
- Third and Amended Restated Certificate of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-O filed with the Commission on November 14, 2005)(File No. 000-21174)
- Amended and Restated By-Laws, as amended (incorporated by reference to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on March 31, 2017)(File No. 001-36254)
- Specimen Common Stock Certificate (incorporated by reference to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed with the Commission on March 11, 1993)(File No. 033-57796)
- 5.1* Opinion of Covington & Burling LLP
- 23.1* Consent of Covington & Burling LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)
- 23.2* Consent of BDO USA, LLP
- 23.3* Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP
- 24.1* Power of Attorney (included on the signature pages of this Registration Statement)
 Avid Technology, Inc. Amended and Restated 2014 Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to the
- 99.1 Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed with the Commission on March 30, 2017)(File No. 001-36254)

^{*} Filed herewith