

AVID TECHNOLOGY INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Legon Joel

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 20 PINE PASTURE RUN
 (Street)

BOXBOROUGH, MA 01719

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AVID TECHNOLOGY INC [AVID]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/18/2007

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 VP & Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 47.02	12/18/2007		D ⁽¹⁾				6,000	<u>(1)</u>	03/07/2016	Common Stock	6,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 47.02	12/18/2007		A ⁽¹⁾			6,000		<u>(1)</u>	03/07/2016	Common Stock	6,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 36.51	12/18/2007		D ⁽²⁾				24,462	<u>(2)</u>	07/19/2017	Common Stock	24,462
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 36.51	12/18/2007		A ⁽²⁾			24,462		<u>(2)</u>	07/19/2017	Common Stock	24,462

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Legon Joel 20 PINE PASTURE RUN BOXBOROUGH, MA 01719	X		VP & Chief Financial Officer	

Signatures

/s/ John S. LaMountain as Power of Attorney for Joel Legon 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).
- (1) The two reported transactions involved an amendment of an outstanding option, resulting in the deemed cancellation of the "old" option and the grant of a replacement option. The option was originally granted on March 7, 2006 and provides for vesting as follows: 12.5% of the shares vest on the date that is six (6) months after the Grant Date; the remaining shares vest in forty-two (42) equal monthly

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installments beginning on the date that is seven (7) months after the Grant Date.

- (2) The two reported transactions involved an amendment of an outstanding option, resulting in the deemed cancellation of the "old" option and the grant of a replacement option. The option was originally granted on July 19, 2007 and provides for vesting as follows: 12.5% of the shares vest on the date that is six (6) months after the Grant Date; the remaining shares vest in forty-two (42) equal monthly installments beginning on the date that is seven (7) months after the Grant Date.

Remarks:

All of the items reported on this form involve the amendment of outstanding options as a result of the Reporting Person entering

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