#### **AVATAR HOLDINGS INC**

Form 4 May 05, 2008

# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* DRESNER MILTON H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

AVATAR HOLDINGS INC

(Check all applicable)

[AVTR]

(Middle)

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

X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2008

HIGHLAND COMPANIES, 28777 NORTHWESTERN HIGHWAY

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

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

SOUTHFIELD, MI 48034

Security

(Instr. 3)

(State) (Zip) (City) 1. Title of

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

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

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Reported (A) or

Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Derivative Conversion

6. Date Exercisable and 5. Number **Expiration Date** Transactionof

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price Underlying Securities Derivati

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8			ties red sed 3, 4,	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	05/01/2008		A		41.1		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	41.1	\$ 42.0 (3)

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DRESNER MILTON H HIGHLAND COMPANIES 28777 NORTHWESTERN HIGHWAY SOUTHFIELD, MI 48034



# **Signatures**

Juanita I. Kerrigan, attorney-in-fact for Milton H. Dresner

05/05/2008

\*\*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) The units convert to Common Stock of the Issuer on a 1-for-1 basis.
- The units, which represent a deferral of a portion of director's fees payable to the Reporting Person, are fully vested at all times and are convertible into shares of Issuer's Common Stock at the earlier of a date specified by the Reporting Person or the date on which the Reporting Person no longer serves as a director of the Issuer.
- (3) Represents the closing price of Issuer's Common Stock as of the date for payment of director's fees, which closing price represents the denominator for purposes of determining the number of Stock Units attributable to the Reporting Person's deferral account.

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