

Rastogi Sharad
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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 *
Rastogi Sharad

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1825 OAK AVENUE
(Street)

MENLO PARK, CA 94025

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AVID TECHNOLOGY INC [AVID]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/03/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
VP of Corporate Development

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Following 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) Price			
Common Stock	03/03/2008		A	10,700 (1)	\$ 0 21,587	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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.04	03/03/2008		A	24,000	09/03/2008 ⁽²⁾ 03/03/2018	Common Stock	24,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Rastogi Sharad 1825 OAK AVENUE MENLO PARK, CA 94025			VP of Corporate Development	

Signatures

/s/ John S. LaMountain as Power of Attorney for Sharad Rastogi 03/05/2008

**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).
 Represents restricted stock unit award that includes 4,300 shares which will vest in four equal annual installments, and 6,400 shares which will vest on a performance-based schedule tied to the Company's stock price and/or the achievement of certain financial metrics. This award includes a provision for the automatic withholding of shares to satisfy the withholding tax liability on each vesting date.
 - (1) 12.5% of the option becomes exercisable on the date listed in the "Date Exercisable" column; the remaining 87.5% becomes exercisable in 42 equal monthly installments thereafter.
 - (2) 12.5% of the option becomes exercisable on the date listed in the "Date Exercisable" column; the remaining 87.5% becomes exercisable in 42 equal monthly installments thereafter.

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