

AVID TECHNOLOGY INC
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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 *
JACKS ETHAN E

(Last) (First) (Middle)

86 CONCORD STREET

(Street)

WESTON, MA 02493

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AVID TECHNOLOGY INC [AVID]

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

03/08/2006

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 Legal 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)	(A) or (D)	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)
			Code	V	Amount	Price		
Common Stock	03/08/2006		M		2,475	\$ 29.8125	D	
Common Stock	03/08/2006		S		2,475	\$ 46.6201	D	
Common Stock	03/08/2006		M		471	\$ 22.01	D	
Common Stock	03/08/2006		S		471	\$ 46.6201	D	
Common Stock	03/08/2006		S		221	\$ 46.6201	D	

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Common Stock	03/08/2006	S	600	D	\$ 46.62	5,700	D
Common Stock	03/08/2006	S	100	D	\$ 46.6	5,600	D
Common Stock	03/08/2006	S	600	D	\$ 46.55	5,000	D
Common Stock	03/08/2006	S	100	D	\$ 46.51	4,900	D
Common Stock	03/08/2006	S	100	D	\$ 46.5	4,800	D
Common Stock	03/08/2006	S	199	D	\$ 46.44	4,601	D
Common Stock	03/08/2006	S	100	D	\$ 46.45	4,501	D
Common Stock	03/08/2006	S	100	D	\$ 46.43	4,401	D
Common Stock	03/08/2006	S	100	D	\$ 46.4	4,301	D
Common Stock	03/08/2006	S	2,100	D	\$ 46.39	2,201	D
Common Stock	03/08/2006	S	2,000	D	\$ 46.37	201	D
Common Stock	03/08/2006	S	100	D	\$ 46.35	101	D
Common Stock	03/08/2006	S	101	D	\$ 46.34	0	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)

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)
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			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of SH
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.8125	03/08/2006	M				03/15/2000 ⁽¹⁾	03/15/2009	Common Stock	2
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.01	03/08/2006	M				07/10/2003 ⁽¹⁾	01/10/2013	Common Stock	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JACKS ETHAN E 86 CONCORD STREET WESTON, MA 02493			VP & Chief Legal Officer	

Signatures

Ethan Jacks 03/10/2006

**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) 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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