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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement AVID TECHNOLOGY, INC. [AVID] Vann Martin (Month/Day/Year) 08/19/2009 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 84 BEARD WAY (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting \_X\_\_ Officer Other Person NEEDHAM. MAÂ 02492 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One SVP of WW Sales & Services Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 14,410 (1) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exer Expiration I (Month/Day/Year)	ration Date S /Day/Year) I		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Price of Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	

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Shares (I) (Instr. 5)

Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)

(2)

07/14/2015 Common Stock

100,000

\$ 17.02

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### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Vann Martin	•	<b>^</b>	SVP of	<b>^</b>		
84 BEARD WAY	Α	A	WW Sales &	Α		
NEEDHAM, MA 02492			Services			

## **Signatures**

/s/ Paige Parisi as Power of Attorney for Martin Vann

08/21/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- Includes 10,000 restricted stock units that were granted on July 14, 2008 that vest as follows: 5,000 shares vest on the second anniversary of the grant date; 1,250 vest on the third anniversary of the grant date; and the remainder vest in four equal installments every three months thereafter. This award included a provision for the automatic withholding of shares to pay the withholding taxes due on each vesting date.
- (2) 50,000 shares vest in equal 6.25% installments every three months ending on the fourth anniversary of the grant date (July 14, 2008), and 50,000 shares vest on a performance-based schedule tied to the Company's stock price.

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