FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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		of Section So(n) of the Investment Company Act of 1940	
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>Hudson Leslie</u>	ı*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVI BIOPHARMA INC [AVII]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Vother (specify
(Last) (First) ONE SW COLUMBIA, SUITE 11	(Middle) 05	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/08/2008	below) CEO
(Street) PORTLAND OR (City) (State)	97258 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/08/2008		A		333,000	Α	\$0	333,000	D	
Common Stock	02/10/2009		A		124,324 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	457,324	D	

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. Transa Code (8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)		
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$1.09	02/08/2008		A		366,972		02/08/2009 ⁽²⁾	02/08/2018	Common Stock	366,972	(3)	366,972	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$0.92	02/10/2009		A		350,000		02/10/2010 ⁽⁴⁾	02/10/2019	Common Stock	350,000	(3)	350,000	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$1.09	02/08/2008		A		300,028		02/08/2009 ⁽⁴⁾	02/08/2018	Common Stock	300,028	\$0 ⁽³⁾	300,028	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Restricted Stock Award granted on $2/10/2009\ vests\ 100\%$ at grant.

2. Option Grant vests 25% per year on grant date with all shares vesting four years from date of grant.

3. Price not required on initial report of stock option granted.

4. The Stock Option Grant vest as follows: 1/3 vest one year from date of grant and 1/3 each year thereafter until all shares vest three years from grant date.

Dr. Leslie Hudson

** Signature of Reporting Person

02/12/2009

Date

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

* 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).

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