FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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OHANLEY PETER D			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement Month/Day/Year) 03/29/2004 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVI BIOPHARMA INC [AVII]									
(Last) 6134 NE ALA	(First)	(Middle)	_			ationship of Reporting Perso call applicable) Director	on(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
(Street) PORTLAND OR 97213				X	Officer (give title below) Sr. Vice Presid	Other (spe below) lent		Applic	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check plicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One			
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned												
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						unt of Securities ially Owned (Instr. 4)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)												
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of		Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Derivati Security	ve	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
Incentive Stock	c Option (right	to buy)	03/29/2005	03/29/2014	1	Common Stock	100,000	2.89)	D		

Explanation of Responses:

Peter D. O'Hanley

04/05/2004

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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