FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1	Address of Reporting		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AVI BIOPHARMA INC</u> [AVII]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner
	(First) IIN AND VRIS, L	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/09/2006	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)
380 MADISON AVENUE			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
(Street) NEW YOR	K NY	10017		X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(Citv)	(State)	(Zip)		

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. Transa Code (8)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(mour 4)
Common Stock	08/09/2006		S		82,030	D	\$2.71	4,977,970	D	
Common Stock	08/10/2006		S		17,970	D	\$2.68	4,960,000	D	
Common Stock								300,000	Ι	By Spouse

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	Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Frice of Parivative (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of		6. Date Exercisable and 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) (Instr. 4)	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				

Explanation of Responses:

/s/George W. Haywood

** Signature of Reporting Person

08/11/2006

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).

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