AVID TECHNOLOGY INC

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Sharp Graham

AVID TECHNOLOGY INC [AVID]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

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

10% Owner

AVID TECHNOLOGY PARK, ONE 10/13/2006

PARK WEST

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

below)

Director

VP and General Manager, Video

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date 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

TEWKSBURY, MA 01876

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code

(Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of Transaction Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and An Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquired or Dispos (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	ed of			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 38.75	10/13/2006		A		60,000		04/13/2007(1)	10/13/2016	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Sharp Graham			VP and				
AVID TECHNOLOGY PARK			General				
ONE PARK WEST			Manager,				
TEWKSBURY, MA 01876			Video				

Signatures

/s/ Graham
Sharp

**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 shares underlying the option become exercisable on the date listed in the "Date Exercisable" column; the remaining 87.5% of the shares underlying the option become exercisable in 42 equal monthly installments thereafter.

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