

Medeiros Paul  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Medeiros Paul

(Last) (First) (Middle)

4575 SW RESEARCH WAY,  
SUITE 200

(Street)

CORVALLIS, OR 97333

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AVI BIOPHARMA INC [AVII]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/09/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

SVP Business Development

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | 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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3)                                      | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4, and<br>5) |   | Date Exercisable          | Expiration<br>Date | Title           |
|---|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|---|---------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
|   |                                    |                  |            | Code  | V |                           |                    |                 |
| Incentive<br>Stock Option<br>(right to buy)     | \$ 1.45                            | 02/09/2010       | A          | 60,000  |   | 02/09/2011 <sup>(1)</sup> | 02/09/2020         | Common<br>Stock |
| Non-Qualified<br>Stock Option<br>(right to buy) | \$ 1.45                            | 02/09/2010       | A          | 120,000   |   | 02/09/2011 <sup>(1)</sup> | 02/09/2020         | Common<br>Stock |
| Incentive<br>Stock Option<br>(right to buy)     | \$ 1.1                             |                  |            |   |   | 05/19/2010 <sup>(1)</sup> | 05/19/2019         | Common<br>Stock |
| Non-Qualified<br>Stock Option<br>(right to buy) | \$ 1.1                             |                  |            |   |   | 05/19/2010 <sup>(1)</sup> | 05/19/2019         | Common<br>Stock |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                          |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                  | Other |
| Medeiros Paul<br>4575 SW RESEARCH WAY, SUITE 200<br>CORVALLIS, OR 97333 |               |           | SVP Business Development |       |

## Signatures

Paul Medeiros                      02/11/2010  
\*\*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) 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.
  - (2) Price not required on initial report of stock option granted.

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