FORM 4

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

OMB APPROVAL 3235-0287 Estimated average burden hours per response: 0.5

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Name and Address of Reporting Person* SMITH CHARLES L						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVID TECHNOLOGY INC [AVID]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) 7 PORT		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2003 X Officer (give title below) VP of Worldwide Sales											specify						
(Street) ANDOVER MA 01810					4. If	Line) X Form filed							iled by One	oint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ed by One Reporting Person ed by More than One Reporting					
(City) (State) (Zip)															Person				
		Tal	ble I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curi	ties Ac	quired	, Dis	posed of	, or Ber	eficial	y Owned					
1. Title of	Security (Ins	tr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securitie Disposed 0	es Acquired Of (D) (Instr	(A) or . 3, 4 and	5) Securitie Benefici Owned F	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
						Code	V Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Transact	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(111301. 4)				
Common	Stock			12/01/2003					М		4,755	A	\$19.87	75 4,	755		D		
Common	Stock			12/01	/2003				М		5,875	A	\$14.5	5 10	,630		D		
Common	Stock			12/01	/2003				М		11,375	A	\$12.8	3 22	,005		D		
Common	Stock			12/01	/2003				М		2,995	A	\$14.1	3 25	,000		D		
Common Stock Common Stock Common Stock Common Stock				12/01	/2003				S		100	D	\$54.0	5 24	,900		D		
Common	Stock			12/01	/2003				S		300	D	\$54.5	8 24	,600		D		
Common Stock Table II - I				12/01/2003					S		200	D	\$54.5	7 24	,400		D		
Common Stock				12/01	/2003				S		300	D	\$54.5	5 24	,100		D		
Common Stock				12/01	/2003				S		500	D	\$54.5	4 23	,600		D		
Common Stock				12/01	01/2003				S		1,900	D	\$54.5	3 21	,700		D		
Common Stock Common Stock			12/01	/2003				S		1,300	D	\$54.5	2 20	,400		D			
Common	Stock			12/01	/2003				S		3,000	D	\$54.5	1 17	,400		D		
Common	Stock			12/01	/2003				S		17,400	D	\$54.5	5	0		D		
			Table II -											Owned					
Derivative Conversion or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Frice of Derivative Execution if any (Month/Day		d 4 Date, 1	Tansaci Code (In	Insaction of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr.		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)				
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$19.875	12/01/2003			M		. ,		08/01/199		08/01/2006	Common Stock	4,755	\$0	1,700	3	D		
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$14.5	12/01/2003			М			5,875	11/03/20	000	05/03/2010	Common Stock	5,875	\$0	0		D		
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$14.13	12/01/2003			М			2,995	09/06/200)2 ⁽¹⁾	03/06/2012	Common Stock	2,995	\$0	214		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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		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				
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$12.8	12/01/2003		М			11,375	10/17/2001 ⁽¹⁾	04/17/2011	Common Stock	11,375	\$0	10,625	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. 12.5% of the grant becomes exercisable on the date listed in the "Date Exercisable" column; the remaining 87.5% becomes exercisable in 42 equal monthly installments thereafter.
- 2. 25% of the option becomes exercisable on the date listed in the "Date Exercisable" column; the remaining 75% becomes exercisable on twelve equal quarterly installments beginning three months after the date listed in the "Date Exercisable" column.

Remarks:

<u>Charles L. Smith</u> <u>12/03/2003</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.