

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Gahagan Chris</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>2 GABLE RIDGE ROAD</u> (Street) <u>WESTBOROUGH MA 01581</u> (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>07/21/2009</u> | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AVID TECHNOLOGY, INC. [AVID]</u> | |
| | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>SVP of Products</u> | |
| | | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | |
| | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | |

| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned | | | |
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| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 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) | | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

No securities are beneficially owned.

/s/ John S. LaMountain as
Power of Attorney for
Christopher C. Gahagan
** Signature of Reporting Person Date
07/23/2009

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 5 (b)(v).

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