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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Vedda James M. Issuer Symbol AVID TECHNOLOGY, INC. (Check all applicable) [AVID] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 340 BEACON STREET 02/04/2011 SVP of Worldwide Sales (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BOSTON, MA 02116 Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of

Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s)

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

8,750 Common 02/04/2011 A A \$0 8,750 D (1) Stock

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shar
Performance Rights (Restricted Stock Units)	(2)	02/04/2011		A	8,750	(2)	03/31/2022	Common Stock	8,750
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.08	02/04/2011		A	75,000	(3)	02/04/2018	Common Stock	75,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	iships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Vedda James M. 340 BEACON STREET BOSTON, MA 02116

SVP of Worldwide Sales

Signatures

/s/ John S. LaMountain as Attorney-in-Fact for James M. Vedda

02/08/2011

**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).
- Represents restricted stock unit award that will vest in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (1) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of AVID common stock. This award includes a provision for the withholding of shares to pay the withholding taxes due on each vesting date.
- Represents restricted stock unit award that will vest on a performance-based schedule tied to AVID's stock price or the achievement of certain financial metrics. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of AVID common stock. This award includes a provision for the withholding of shares to pay the withholding taxes due on each vesting date.
- 47,500 shares will vest on a performance-based schedule tied to AVID's stock price or the achievement of certain financial metrics; and (3) 27,500 shares will vest on a time-based schedule as follows: 25% of the shares will vest on the first anniversary of the grant date and the remaining 75% of the shares will vest in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.

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