AVI BIOPHARMA INC Form 8-K November 09, 2009

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): November 9, 2009

AVI BioPharma, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Oregon (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-14895 (Commission File Number)

93-0797222 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

3450 Monte Villa Parkway, Suite 101

Bothell, WA 98021

(Address of principal executive offices)

(425) 354-5038

Registrant s telephone number, including area code

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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On November 9, 2009, AVI BioPharma, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing the Company s financial results for the third fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2009. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in this Item 2.02, in Item 9.01 hereof and in Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed to be filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

The following exhibit is being furnished (not filed) herewith:

99.1 Press release, dated November 9, 2009, entitled AVI BioPharma Announces Third Quarter 2009 Financial Results & Corporate Highlights

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Bothell, State of Washington, on November 9, 2009.

AVI BioPharma, Inc.

By: /s/ Leslie Hudson, Ph.D.

Leslie Hudson, Ph.D.

President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Operating Officer)

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