

BOYLE J DAVID II  
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**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
BOYLE J DAVID II

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ONE SW COLUMBIA, SUITE 1105

(Street)

PORTLAND, OR 97258

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/10/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Following 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)	Amount (D) Price		
Common Stock	02/10/2009		A	(1)	46,282 \$ 0	D	

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. 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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.92	02/10/2009		A		50,000		02/10/2010 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/10/2019	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.92	02/10/2009		A		100,000		02/10/2010 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/10/2019	Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(4)</u>	\$ 1.21							08/18/2008 <sup>(5)</sup>	08/18/2018	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(4)</u>	\$ 1.21							08/18/2008 <sup>(5)</sup>	08/18/2018	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BOYLE J DAVID II ONE SW COLUMBIA, SUITE 1105 PORTLAND, OR 97258			CFO	

## Signatures

John David  
Boyle II

02/12/2009

            
\*\*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) Restricted Stock Award granted on 2/10/2009 vests 100% at grant.
- (2) 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.
- (3) Price not required on initial report of stock option granted.

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- (4) Options granted pursuant to the Company's 2002 Equity Incentive Plan.
- (5) The options vest in equal annual installments over three years beginning on August 18, 2008.

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