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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 *
Arnold Kirk E

(Last) (First) (Middle)

AVID TECHNOLOGY, INC., 75 NETWORK DRIVE

(Street)

BURLINGTON, MA 01803

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
AVID TECHNOLOGY, INC. [AVID]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/24/2012

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)
EVP and COO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/24/2012		A		25,000 (1)	A	$ 0	127,884	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)

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 Am Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 11.71	02/24/2012		A		200,000		(2)	02/24/2019	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Arnold Kirk E AVID TECHNOLOGY, INC. 75 NETWORK DRIVE BURLINGTON, MA 01803			EVP and COO	

Signatures

/s/ John S. LaMountain as Attorney-in-Fact for Kirk E. Arnold 02/28/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Represents restricted stock unit award that will vest on a time-based schedule as follows: 25% of the shares vest on the first anniversary of the grant date and the remaining 75% of the shares vest in equal 6.25% installments every three months thereafter ending on the fourth anniversary of the grant date provided the Reporting Person is still employed by the Company on each such vesting date. 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 by the Issuer to pay the withholding taxes due on each vesting date.

(2) These 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 equal 6.25% installments every three months thereafter ending on the fourth anniversary of the grant date provided the Reporting Person is still employed by the Company on each such vesting date.

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