

GEOKINETICS INC  
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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 \*  
Avista Capital Partners, L.P.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
GEOKINETICS INC [GOK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
65 E. 55TH STREET, 18TH FLOOR  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/26/2008

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

NEW YORK, NY 10022

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/25/2008		P	800 A \$ 17.41	1,510,823 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock					317,273 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	02/25/2008		P	2,800 A \$ 17.485	1,513,039 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock					317,857 <sup>(2)</sup>	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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Avista Capital Partners, L.P. 65 E. 55TH STREET 18TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Ben Silbert                      02/26/2008  
 \*\*Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## 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) These shares are owned directly by Avista Capital Partners, L.P. ("Avista") and may be deemed to be indirectly owned by Avista Capital Partners GP, LLC., the general partner of Avista.
- (2) These shares are owned directly by Avista Capital Partners (Offshore), L.P. ("Offshore") and may be deemed to be indirectly owned by Avista Capital Partners GP, LLC., the general partner of Offshore.

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