

CHASE ANTHONY R  
Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â CHASE ANTHONY R		(Month/Day/Year)	AVI BIOPHARMA INC [AVII]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	04/22/2010	
3450 MONTE VILLA PARKWAY,Â SUITE 101			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
BOTHELL,Â WAÂ 98021			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
			(give title below)	(specify below)
			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	169,312	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Title	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Common Stock Purchase Warrants	02/25/2010	08/25/2014	Common Stock	140,000	\$ 1.78 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CHASE ANTHONY R 3450 MONTE VILLA PARKWAY SUITE 101 BOTHELL, WA 98021	Â X	Â	Â	Â

## Signatures

By: Melinda Miles, Attorney-In-Fact For: Anthony Chase  
Date: 04/22/2010

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Mr. Chase holds 350,000 warrants to purchase common stock. Each warrant can be exercised to purchase 4/10 (or 0.4) of a share of common stock. Thus, Mr. Chase's 350,000 warrants are exercisable to purchase 140,000 shares of common stock at \$1.78 per share.

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