#### **AVATAR HOLDINGS INC**

Form 4

September 03, 2008

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### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

(First)

**SMITH FRED STANTON** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

AVATAR HOLDINGS INC

[AVTR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 08/29/2008

(Check all applicable)

X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O AVATAR HOLDINGS INC., 201 ALHAMBRA CIRCLE

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Middle)

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

CORAL GABLES, FL 33134

(City) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(State)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

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)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Derivative Conversion

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amount of 8. Pric Underlying Securities Deriva

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/	Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)	Securit (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	08/29/2008		A	68.81	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	68.81	\$ 31 (3)

## **Reporting Owners**

CORAL GABLES, FL 33134

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SMITH FRED STANTON
C/O AVATAR HOLDINGS INC.
201 ALHAMBRA CIRCLE

## **Signatures**

Juanita I. Kerrigan, attorney-in-fact for Fred Stanton
Smith

09/03/2008

\*\*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) The units convert to Common Stock of the Issuer on a 1-for-1 basis.
- The units, which represent a deferral of a portion of director's fees payable to the Reporting Person, are fully vested at all times and are convertible into shares of Issuer's Common Stock at the earlier of a date specified by the Reporting Person or the date on which the Reporting Person no longer serves as a director of the Issuer.
- (3) Represents the closing price of Issuer's Common Stock as of the date for payment of director's fees, which closing price represents the denominator for purposes of determining the number of Stock Units attributable to the Reporting Person's deferral account.

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