AVATAR HOLDINGS INC

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

DRESNER MILTON H

Symbol AVATAR HOLDINGS INC

(Check all applicable)

[AVTR]

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

05/27/2009

X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title below)

HIGHLAND COMPANIES, 28777

(Street)

(State)

(First)

NORTHWESTERN HIGHWAY

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

SOUTHFIELD, MI 48034

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect Following (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price Code V Amount \$ **COMMON** 05/27/2009 $M^{(1)}$ 435 17.85 D A 4,195 **STOCK** (1)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	o N o S
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	05/27/2009		M <u>(1)</u>		435	05/27/2009	05/27/2009	COMMON STOCK	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	05/28/2009		A	840		05/28/2010(4)	05/28/2010(4)	COMMON STOCK	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DRESNER MILTON H HIGHLAND COMPANIES 28777 NORTHWESTERN HIGHWAY SOUTHFIELD, MI 48034	X						

Signatures

Juanita I. Kerrigan, attorney-in-fact for Milton H.

Dresner

05/29/2009

**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) Settlement of Restricted Stock Units upon vesting.
- (2) The units convert to Common Stock of the issuer on a 1-for-1 basis.
- (3) The zero ("0") in this column is a "dummy" amount, solely for the purpose of permitting the use of a descriptive footnote stating that the price is not applicable.
- (4) The units granted to the Reporting Person vest in full on the earlier of May 28, 2010 or the day immediately preceding the 2010 annual meeting of stockholders, provided that the Reporting Person is a member of the Issuer's board of directors on such date.

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