

AVATAR HOLDINGS INC
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FORM 4

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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 *
KELFER GERALD D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**AVATAR HOLDINGS INC
 [AVTR]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/24/2005

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President & CEO

**AVATAR HOLDINGS INC., 201
 ALHAMBRA CIRCLE**

(Street)

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

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

CORAL GABLES, FL 33134

(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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities
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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)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Conditioned Restricted Stock Units (1)	\$ 65	05/24/2005	A		30,000		<u>(1)</u>	06/30/2011	Common Stock	30,000
Performance Conditioned Restricted Stock Units (2)	\$ 72.5	05/24/2005	A		30,000		<u>(2)</u>	06/30/2011	Common Stock	30,000
Performance Conditioned Restricted Stock Units (3)	\$ 80	05/24/2005	A		30,000		<u>(3)</u>	06/30/2011	Common Stock	30,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KELFER GERALD D AVATAR HOLDINGS INC. 201 ALHAMBRA CIRCLE CORAL GABLES, FL 33134	X		President & CEO	

Signatures

Gerald D. Kelfer 05/26/2005
 **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).

Under plan approved by stockholders on May 24, 2005, the grant of the units is conditioned upon (i) the closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock being at least \$65.00 per share for 20 trading days out of 30 consecutive trading days during the period beginning April (1) 15, 2005 and ending June 30, 2011, and (ii) the continued employment of the Reporting Person at the time the foregoing condition is satisfied. Subject to certain limited exceptions, any units granted to the Reporting Person vest in full on June 30, 2011 or upon the occurrence of a change of control of the Issuer, provided that, in either case, the Reporting Person is then employed by the Issuer.

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- Under plan approved by stockholders on May 24, 2005, the grant of the units is conditioned upon (i) the closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock being at least \$72.50 per share for 20 trading days out of 30 consecutive trading days during the period beginning April 15, 2005 and ending June 30, 2011, and (ii) the continued employment of the Reporting Person at the time the foregoing condition is satisfied. Subject to certain limited exceptions, any units granted to the Reporting Person vest in full on June 30, 2011 or upon the occurrence of a change of control of the Issuer, provided that, in either case, the Reporting Person is then employed by the Issuer.

- Under plan approved by stockholders on May 24, 2005, the grant of the units is conditioned upon (i) the closing price of the Issuer's Common Stock being at least \$80.00 per share for 20 trading days out of 30 consecutive trading days during the period beginning April 15, 2005 and ending June 30, 2011, and (ii) the continued employment of the Reporting Person at the time the foregoing condition is satisfied. Subject to certain limited exceptions, any units granted to the Reporting Person vest in full on June 30, 2011 or upon the occurrence of a change of control of the Issuer, provided that, in either case, the Reporting Person is then employed by the Issuer.

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