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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

 BLACK BEAR OFFSHORE MASTER FUND LP

(Last)

(First)

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

AVI BIOPHARMA INC [AVII]

05/31/2009

(Middle)

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

CORPORATE CTR WEST BAY RD. PO BOX 31106-SMB

(Street)

Director Officer

__X__ 10% Owner Other (give title below) (specify below)

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

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

GRAND CAYMAN. E9Â

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Common Stock (1) (2)

9,914,211

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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)

Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

4. 5. Ownership Conversion or Exercise Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Price of Derivative Derivative Security:

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Date Expiration Title Amount or Exercisable Date Number of Shares

Amount or Security
Number of
Shares

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BLACK BEAR OFFSHORE MASTER FUND LP CORPORATE CTR WEST BAY RD PO BOX 31106-SMB GRAND CAYMAN, E9Â

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Signatures

Eric Sippel 06/02/2009

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Black Bear Offshore Master Fund, L.P. ("Filer") disclaims membership in a group with any other person within the meaning of Rule 13d-5(b)(i) and Rule 16a-1(a)(1) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
 - Eastbourne Capital Management, L.L.C. is the beneficial owner of more than 10 percent of the outstanding common stock of Avi BioPharma, Inc. Under a Letter Agreement Regarding Board of Director Representation dated as of January 30, 2009, between
- (2) Eastbourne Capital Management, L.L.C. and Avi BioPharma, Inc., Avi BioPharma, Inc. agreed to take all necessary actions to have one designee of Eastbourne Capital Management, L.L.C. nominated to Avi BioPharma, Inc.'s Board of Directors. Pursuant to this agreement, Dr. Kathleen Behrens currently serves on the Board of Directors of Avi BioPharma, Inc.

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