Nash Joshua Lionel Form 4 September 01, 2006

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Nash Joshua Lionel

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AVATAR HOLDINGS INC

[AVTR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 08/31/2006

_X__ Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O ODAV LLC, 280 PARK **AVENUE**

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Chairman of the Board

Applicable Line)

below)

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

(Instr. 4)

NEW YORK, NY 10017

(State) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3.

(Instr. 8)

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

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

(Instr. 4)

Following Reported

or Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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)	Securi (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	08/31/2006		A	52.16	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	52.16	\$ 55 (3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Nash Joshua Lionel C/O ODAV LLC 280 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10017	X		Chairman of the Board				

Signatures

Juanita I. Kerrigan, attorney-in-fact for Joshua Nash

**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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