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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MCELWEE JAMES B Issuer Symbol Avinger Inc [AVGR] (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 03/13/2017 below)

Person

non-employee (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

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

REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

400 CHESAPEAKE DRIVE

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) 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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount o
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionDerivative		Expiration Date	Underlying Securities
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

or Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration

Title Date

Amount or Number of Share

Option

(right to \$ 2.05 buy)

03/13/2017

A 69,473 03/13/2018⁽¹⁾ 03/13/2027

Common 69,47 Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

MCELWEE JAMES B 400 CHESAPEAKE DRIVE REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063

non-employee

Signatures

/s/ James **McElwee**

03/15/2017

**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 stock options vest 100% on the anniversary of the transaction date.

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