

RAMA MICHAEL P
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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 *
RAMA MICHAEL P

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)
AVATAR HOLDINGS INC., 201
ALHAMBRA CIRCLE, 12TH
FLOOR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/16/2008

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

(Street)
CORAL GABLES, FL 33134

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	12/16/2008		M ⁽¹⁾	500 A	868	D	
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	12/16/2008		F ⁽³⁾	132 D	\$ 23.54 736	D	

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

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