

AMERICAN VANGUARD CORP  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**GILBANE ROBERT F**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**AMERICAN VANGUARD CORP [AVD]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**105 BURGOYNE HEIGHTS ROAD**  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/12/2008**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**President of GemChem, Inc.**

**NEW HARTFORD, CT 06057**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V                                                                 | Amount                                                                                        | (A) or (D)                                               | Price                             |
|                                 |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   |                                                                                               |                                                          | \$                                |
| Common Stock                    | 05/12/2008                           |                                                    | S                              |                                                                   | 10,000<br>(1)                                                                                 | D                                                        | 17.1<br>(2)                       |
|                                 |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   | 267,156                                                                                       | D                                                        |                                   |

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)**

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| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene<br>Own<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
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| Code | V | (A) | (D) | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
|------|---|-----|-----|----------------------------------------|
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                          | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|                                                                         | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| GILBANE ROBERT F<br>105 BURGOYNE HEIGHTS ROAD<br>NEW HARTFORD, CT 06057 |               |           | President of<br>GemChem, Inc. |       |

## Signatures

/s/ ROBERT F. GILBANE                                      05/13/2008

\_\_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) These shares were sold by reporting person pursuant to a 10b5-1 selling plan dated November 19, 2007.
- (2) This figure represents the average sale price of multiple intraday transactions; detail on individual intraday sales is attached as an exhibit hereto.

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