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FORM 4

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See Instruction

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Rizzi John

1200

(City)

(Instr. 3)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

AMERICAN VANGUARD CORP

[AVD]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4695 MACARTHUR COURT, STE

(Month/Day/Year)

03/30/2018

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Issuer

below)

Director

X_ Officer (give title

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

VP of Manufacturing - AMVAC

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

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership Form: Direct (I) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

10% Owner

Other (specify

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Reported 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 Derivative Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities**

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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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 11.49	03/30/2018		J <u>(1)(2)</u>	5,589	03/30/2018	12/30/2024	Common Stock	5,589

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Rizzi John 4695 MACARTHUR COURT, STE 1200 NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660

VP of Manufacturing - AMVAC

Signatures

/s/ John Rizzi 04/02/2018

**Signature of 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).

These performance stock options arose from a target award of 5,882 such options that were awarded to reporting person on December 30, 2014 and, by their terms, were to vest and become exercisable, provided i) reporting person was continuously employed by the issuer through December 30, 2017, and ii) the Company met certain financial metrics over the period from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017. Those financial metrics included the relative growth of its earnings before income tax ("EBIT") compared to the median growth of EBIT of a certain group of industry peers (weighted at 50%), the relative growth of its net sales as compared to the median growth of net sales of that same group (weighted at 30%) and the relative growth of the fair market value of the Company's common stock as compared to the Russell 2000 Index (weighted at 20%). The percentage of target options subject to vesting could range from 0% (for underperformance) to 200% (for outperformance).

(Continued from Footnote 1) Issuer has completed its measurement of the Company's financial performance over the measurement period and determined that reporting person is entitled to receive 195% of the target award. In this case, the reporting person would receive the product of 5,882 x 1.95 = 11,470 options, of which 5,589 are in addition to the target amount that had been reported in the Form 4 of the reporting person on or about the date of the award.

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