AVI BIOPHARMA INC Form 8-K March 09, 2005

FORM 8-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 8, 2005

AVI BioPharma, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Oregon

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

0-22613

(Commission File Number)

93-0797222

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

One S.W. Columbia, Suite 1105 Portland, OR 97258

(Address of principal executive offices)

(503) 227-0554

Registrant s telephone number, including area code

Not Applicable

(Formal name and address, if changed from last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

| Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition. |
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| On March 8, 2005, AVI BioPharma, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2004. The press release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1. |
| Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure |
| Information furnished under Item 2.02. |
| Item 9.01 Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits. |
| <u>Exhibits</u> |
| 99.1. Press release dated March 8, 2005, announcing financial results for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2004. |
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| <i>Note:</i> The information contained in this report on Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. |
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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Portland, State of Oregon, on March 8, 2005.

AVI BioPharma, Inc.

By: /s/ ALAN P. TIMMINS

Alan P. Timmins

President and Chief Operating Officer (Principal Operating Officer)

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.99.1 Press release dated March 8, 2005 issued by AVI BioPharma, Inc.

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