

TRUNFIO DANIEL R JR
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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 *
 TRUNFIO DANIEL R JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AVENTINE RENEWABLE ENERGY HOLDINGS INC [AVR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Chief Operating Office

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O AVENTINE RENEWABLE ENERGY HOLDINGS, INC. 120 N. PARKWAY

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/28/2008

(Street)
 PEKIN, IL 61554

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

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Amount		Price
				Code	V		

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option to purchase common stock	\$ 7.05	02/28/2008		A	30,000	<u>(1)</u> 02/28/2018	Common stock	30,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TRUNFIO DANIEL R JR C/O AVENTINE RENEWABLE ENERGY HOLDINGS INC. 120 N. PARKWAY PEKIN, IL 61554			Chief Operating Office	

Signatures

/s/ William J. Brennan, as Attorney-in-fact for Daniel R. Trunfio, Jr. 03/03/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) 6,000 options exercisable on the anniversary date of February 28 in each of the following years: 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, and 2013

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