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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**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

per share

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

ROTHKOPF CHARLENE			Symbol AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES INC [AVB]				Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (N		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)			Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify				
C/O AVALONBAY			08/29/2006				below) below) Executive Vice President-HR			
	ITIES, INC., 2900									
EISENHOV	VER AVE., SUIT	E 300								
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
		F1	Filed(Month/Day/Year)				Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
ALEXAND	ORIA, VA 22314						Form filed by M Person	Iore than One Re	porting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned	
(Instr. 3) any		Execution Da	ate, if Transactic	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Ownership Inc Form: Direct Be (D) or Ov	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	08/29/2006		М	641	A	\$ 50.6	15,580.615 (1)	D		
Common Stock, par value \$.01	08/29/2006		F	269	D	\$ 120.13	15,311.615 (1)	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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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)	
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 50.6	08/29/2006	M	641	02/12/2005(2)	02/12/2014	Common Stock	641

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ROTHKOPF CHARLENE C/O AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC. 2900 EISENHOWER AVE., SUITE 300 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314

Executive Vice President-HR

Signatures

By Edward M. Schulman, as attorney in fact under Power of Attorney dated April 4, 2000

08/31/2006

**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) The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction reflects direct ownership of all shares of common stock, including restricted shares.
- (2) The options exercised were included in options granted on February 12, 2004 which become exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning on February 12, 2005.

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The amount of securities owned following the reported transaction includes options granted on various dates with varying exercise prices and vesting dates. After the exercise described above, the reporting person has 8,768 remaining options that expire on February 12, 2014 with an exercise price of \$50.60.

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