

WINTEMUTE ERIC G  
Form SC 13G/A  
February 17, 2009

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 13G**

**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**(Amendment No. 5)\***

**AMERICAN VANGUARD CORPORATION**

**(Name of Issuer)**

**Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share**

**(Title of Class of Securities)**

**030371108**

**(CUSIP Number)**

**December 31, 2008**

**(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)**

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Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

Rule 13d-1(b)

Rule 13d-1(c)

Rule 13d-1(d)

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SCHEDULE 13G

CUSIP No.: 030371108

1 NAMES OF REPORTING PERSON

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY)

Eric G. Wintemute

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a)

3 SEC USE ONLY

(b)

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States

5 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF

SHARES 868,962

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY

EACH 685,640

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING

PERSON 868,962

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH

685,640

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

1,554,602

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\*

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

5.3 % of issued and outstanding Common Stock

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

IN

\*SEE INSTRUCTIONS

**Item 1(a) Name of Issuer:**

American Vanguard Corporation

**Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:**

4695 MacArthur Court, Suite 1250  
Newport Beach, California 92660

**Item 2(a) Name of Person Filing:**

Eric G. Wintemute

**Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office:**

4695 MacArthur Court, Suite 1250  
Newport Beach, California 92660

**Item 2(c) Citizenship:**

United States

**Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities:**

Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share

**Item 2(e) CUSIP Number:**

030371108

**Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to §§240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:**

Not Applicable.

**Item 4. Ownership:**

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- (a) **Amount Beneficially Owned:** 1,554,602
  
- (b) **Percent of Class:** 5.3% (based on 29,209,863 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding shares as of December 31, 2008)
  
- (c) **Number of shares as to such persons has:**
  - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 868,962
  
  - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 685,640
  
  - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 868,962
  
  - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 685,640

The above figures include: (a) 450,000 shares of Common Stock that the reporting person is entitled to acquire pursuant to stock options exercisable within sixty days of the filing of this Schedule 13G; the reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares until the shares are acquired upon exercise of the options; and (b) 139,336 shares of Common Stock are held in custodial or trustee accounts for the reporting person's minor children for which the reporting person and/or the reporting person's spouse act as trustee or custodian; except in his capacity as trustee or custodian for these shares, the reporting person disclaims any other interest therein.

**Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:**

Not applicable

**Item 6. Ownership of More Than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:**

The reporting person and/or his spouse have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, 685,640 shares of Common Stock.

**Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company:**

Not applicable

**Item 8. Identification and Classification of Member of the Group:**

Not applicable

**Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group:**

Not applicable

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated : February 13, 2009

/s/ Eric G. Wintemute  
Eric G. Wintemute

Attention: Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute Federal criminal violations. (See 18 U.S.C. 1001)