FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>ANDERSON ERIK J</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP [AVA]										ip of Reporting Person(s) to Is oplicable)			
					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/11/2009									Offic belov	er (give title w)		Other (specify below)		
(Street) SPOKAN (City)			09202 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Forn	or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable m filed by One Reporting Person m filed by More than One Reporting son			
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day)						Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acqui					Securi Benefi Owner	icially d Following	6. Owners Form: Dir (D) or Ind (I) (Instr.	ect irect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
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Common Stock 05/11/					2009	009			A ⁽¹⁾		632(2)	A	\$15	5.82(1)	1	2,629	,629 D		
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
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Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares issued under the Long-Term Incentive Plan as an award of stock for director compensation. The price per share (per the LTIP) is the closing price on May 8, 2009.
- 2. Shares issued as part of Mr. Anderson's director retainer.

<u>/s/ Erik J. Anderson</u> <u>05/12/2009</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

 $Reminder: Report \ on \ a \ separate \ line \ for \ each \ class \ of \ securities \ beneficially \ owned \ directly \ or \ indirectly.$

- * 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).

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