FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* FELTES KAREN S							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP [ AVA ]									ionship of Reportin all applicable) Director Officer (give title		10% (		ssuer  Owner (specify
(Last) 1411 E N		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/14/2009										X	below) below; VP & Corporate Secretary							
(Street) SPOKANE WA 99202  (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tabl	le I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	s Acq	uired,	Dis	osed o	f, o	r Ben	efici	ally (	Dwne	ed			
Date				Date	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transa Code ( 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)				, 4 and Se Be Ov		ount of ities icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
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Common Stock - 2006 Restricted Stock Award 01/						1/2009					62(1)		D	\$19.1		29,255		D		
Common Plan													668	I		by Trustee				
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	ative Conversion Date Execution Date, ity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			Date, ny/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 3)		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Expiratio (Month/D	Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amount or Numbe of			ce of rative rity : 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Owner Form: Direct or Indi (I) (Ins	(D) rect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

## Explanation of Responses:

 $1. Additional\ Shares\ sold\ to\ pay\ remaining\ income\ tax\ on\ final\ 1/3\ of\ 2006\ restricted\ shares\ that\ vested\ on\ 12/31/2008.$ 

<u>/s/ Karen S. Feltes</u> <u>01/14/2009</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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