FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and KENSO		2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP [ AVA ]									ck all applic Directo	ationship of Reporting Per all applicable) Director		10% Owner					
(Last) 1411 E MI	(Firs		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/07/2008									below)	Officer (give title below)  Vice President		Other (specify below) & CIO				
(Street) SPOKANE WA 99202						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)	(Sta													Person					
Table I - Non-Deriva  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						2A. Exe	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A)			or	5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	Amount of ecurities eneficially wned Following		: Direct   II Indirect   E str. 4)   C	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
							Code	v	Amount	(A) o (D)	r <sub>Pr</sub>	ice		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			Instr. 4)		
Common S	/2008				М		780	A	(1)		1,740			D					
Common S	/2008				F		216(2)	D \$2		20.75	1,5	1,524		D					
Common S	/2008				F		91 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	\$	20.75	1,4	433		D					
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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. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	n Date,	Code (In				6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	n Dat		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		urity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)
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Conversion of 2005 Performance	(1)	01/07/2008			M			1,200	(1)		(1)	Commor Stock	1,	200	(1)	0		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Each performance share represented a contingent right to receive a share of Avista Common Stock upon Avista achieving a specified performance measure.
- 2. Shares sold to pay income tax on Performance Shares acquired on 1/7/2008.
- 3. Shares sold to pay income tax on restricted shares that vested on 1/7/2008.

<u>/s/ James M. Kensok</u> <u>01/09/2008</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- \* 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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