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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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| Instruction 1(b). |

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 | |
| 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AVISTA CORP</u> [AVA] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Cofficer (give title Other (specify |
| 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2007 | X Onler (specify below) below) Sr. VP, General Counsel, & CCO |
| 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) |
| | X Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| | or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2007 |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Transaction Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Disposed Of | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | Form: Direct | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|------------|---|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---|--------------|---|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (1130.4) |
| Common Stock - Restricted Share Award | 01/03/2007 | | S | | 327 ⁽¹⁾ | D | \$25.6381 | 2,673 | D | |

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) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transa Code (8) | | of | | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|-----|-----|--|---|-------|---|--|--|--|--|
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares sold to pay income taxes on restricted shares that vested on 1/3/2007.

/s/ Marian M. Durkin

01/05/2007

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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).

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