FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name an   |   | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP [ AVA ] |          |                              |                              |  |  |   |  |   | all app<br>Dired      | olicable)<br>ctor   |                       | 6 Owner               |   |   |   |   |
|--|---|--|----------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|---|--|---|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|---|---|---|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 1411 E MISSION AVE                       |   |  |          |                              |                              | ate of 26/20   |  | t Trans                                   | saction (  | (Month  | n/Day/Year)           |   |                       | X                     | Offic<br>below  | ,   | Oth<br>bel<br>n and CEO                                   | er (specify<br>ow)                      |
| (Street) SPOKANE WA 99202 (City) (State) (Zip)                   |   |  |          |                              | 4. If                        | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |  |   |  |   |                       |   |                       | 6. Indi<br>Line)<br>X | vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person |   |   |   |
|  |   | Tabl   | e I - N  | on-Deriv                     | ative                        | Sec  | uritie   | s Ac                                      | quired   | d, Di   | sposed o              | f, or E   | enefic                | ially                 | Own   | ed  |   |   |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/ |   |  |          |                              | Execution Date,              |  |  | 3. 4<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |  | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a |                       |   | and 5) Secur<br>Benef |                       | icially<br>d Following  | 6. Ownershi<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indiret<br>(I) (Instr. 4)                                 | of Indirect   |   |
|  |   |  |          |                              |                              |  |  |   | Code   | v   | Amount                | (A) o   | Price                 |                       | Trans   | action(s)<br>3 and 4)   |   | (111511.4)                              |
| Common Stock 02/26/20  |   |  |          |                              |                              | )19  |  |   | S  |   | 18,900                | D   | \$40.                 | 8132                  | 2   | 22,823  | D   |   |
| Common Stock 02/27/20  |   |  |          |                              | 2019                         | )19  |  | G   | V  | 1,400(1)  | D                     | \$40  | .23(2)                | 2                     | 21,423  | D   |   |   |
| Estimated Shares held in 401(k) Plan                             |   |  |          |                              |                              |  |  |   |  |   |                       |   |                       |                       |   | 170.63  | I   | held by<br>trustee                      |
|  |   | Та   | ble II - |                              |                              |  |  |   |  |   | osed of,<br>convertib |   |                       |                       | wned  |   |   |   |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)              | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)                             | if any   | med<br>on Date,<br>Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |  | 5. Nu<br>of<br>Deriv<br>Secu<br>Acqu<br>(A) or<br>Dispo<br>of (D)<br>(Instr<br>and 5 | ative<br>rities<br>ired<br>osed           | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Exercisable Date |   |                       | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>and 4)  Amoun<br>or<br>Numbe<br>of<br>Title Shares |                       | t                     |   | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownersh<br>Form:<br>Direct (D<br>or Indire<br>(I) (Instr. | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>t (Instr. 4) |

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. 1400 shares of AVA Common Stock gifted to 4 children (350 shares to each child)
- $2. \ Share \ price \ is \ closing \ price \ of \ AVA \ common \ stock \ on \ Wednesday, \ February \ 27, \ 2019$

<u>/s/Scott L. Morris</u> 02/28/2019

\*\* 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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