FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Cox Bryan Alden			Date of Event Requiring Staten Month/Day/Year 1/22/2017	nent	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP [AVA]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1411 E MISSION AVENUE		(Middle)			Relationship of Reporting P (Check all applicable) Director	erson(s) to Issu 10% Own	- [5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
(Street) SPOKANE	WA	99202			X Officer (give title below) Vice Pres	Other (sp below) dent		Applicable Line) X Form filed by	t/Group Filing (Check y One Reporting Person y More than One erson	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)								
		Т	able I - Non	n-Derivat	tive Securities Benefic	ally Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2	2. Amount of Securities	3. Owners	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Owners (Instr. 5)		Beneficial Ownership		
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	k held in 401(k	c) Plan			373.1263	or Indirect	(1)	leld by Trustee -	Vanguard	
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Common Stoc		(e. <u>ç</u>		Derivative Is, warra	373.1263 e Securities Beneficial	or Indirect (Instr. 5) I Iy Owned ole securities	(I) H	feld by Trustee -	Vanguard 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	

Explanation of Responses:

/s/Bryan A. Cox

12/07/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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