FORM 4

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## 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*  Thackston Jason R  (Last) (First) (Middle)  1411 E MISSION AVENUE					3. D	Susuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     AVISTA CORP [ AVA ]      Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)     03/05/2013									all app Direc	olicable) ctor er (give title v)	g Person(s) to E 10% ( Other below resident	Owner (specify	
(Street) SPOKAN (City)			99202 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indiv Line) X	Forn	or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable m filed by One Reporting Person m filed by More than One Reporting son			
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				and 5) Sec Ben Owr		cially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount	(A) o	Price	e		action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 03/05/2					2013				G	V	400(1)	D	\$26	5.21 <sup>(2)</sup>		7,689	D		
		Та	ble II -								osed of, convertib				wned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  3. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			sunsaction de (Instr. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. : and 4)		t		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Gift of 400 shares of Avista Common Stock to Whitworth College.
- 2. Closing price of AVA stock on transaction date, March 5, 2013.

/s/Jason R. Thackston 03/05/2013

\*\* 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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