FORM 3

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Klein Rebecca A			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 03/17/2010  3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP [ AVA ]								
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)			Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable)  Director	rson(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
611 SOUTH CONGRESS AVE, SUITE 340		VE, 5011E 540			Officer (give title below)	Other (spe below)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)			
(Street)					Director Nominee			X Form filed by One Reporting Person			
AUSTIN	TX	78704						Form filed by Reporting P	y More than One erson		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)									
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr.		4. Conversion or Exercise	Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
		Date Exercisable	Expiratior Date	n Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)				

**Explanation of Responses:** 

No securities are beneficially owned.

<u>/s/ Rebecca A. Klein</u> <u>03/26/2010</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).
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