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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	ss of Reporting Perso TH ROGER D		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AVISTA CORP</u> [AVA]	(Check	ionship of Reporting Pers all applicable) Director Officer (give title	son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify
(Last) (Elfst) (Middle) L		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/03/2012	Х	below) Vice Persid	below)
(Street) SPOKANE	WA	99202	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi Line) X	dual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Repo Form filed by More thar	orting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			Person	- -

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock - Restricted Shares	02/03/2012		A		1,900	Α	(1)	25,031	D	
Common Stock held in 401(k) Investment Plan								20,809	Ι	held by Trustee
Common Stock held in Executive Deferral Account								8,643	I	held by Trustee
Common Stock held in IRA								400	I	held by Trustee
Common Stock held by Spouse								1,000	Ι	held by Spouse
Common Stock held by child, Patrick Woodworth								128	I	held by Child

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 Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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				
Performace Grant	(2)	02/03/2012		Α		2,000		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	2,000	\$25.83	2,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Restricted shares vest one third each year over a three-year period and are payable in Avista Corp. Common Stock at the end of each year in the three-year period.

2. No conversion price. Shares awarded if performance measure is met.

3. Each performance cycle is three years in length. Shares will be issued at the end of each three-year cycle if performance measure is met.

02/06/2012

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

/s/ Roger D Woodworth

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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