

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Kopczynski Don F</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 1411 E. MISSION AVENUE (MSC-10) (Street) SPOKANE WA 99202 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 05/14/2004	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AVISTA CORP [AVA]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <p style="text-align: center;">Vice President</p>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	665	D	
Common Stock (401(k) Investment Plan Shares)	4,027	I	By Trustee
Common Stock (Custodian Acct - David Kopczynski)	15	I	By Self for Son
Common Stock (Custodian Acct - Kristen Kopczynski)	15	I	By Self for Daughter
Common Stock (Custodian Acct - Kyra Kopczynski)	15	I	By Self for Daughter

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)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					Title
Phantom Share Units	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	55	(2)	I	By Trustee
Employee Stock Options	(3)	11/12/2008	Common Stock	4,100	18.63	D	
Employee Stock Options	(4)	11/11/2009	Common Stock	10,000	17.31	D	
Employee Stock Options	11/08/2004 ⁽⁵⁾	11/08/2011	Common Stock	2,900	11.8	D	
Employee Stock Options	11/07/2003 ⁽⁶⁾	11/07/2012	Common Stock	2,775	10.17	D	
Performance Shares	(7)	(7)	Common Stock	6,500	(8)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- The phantom stock units are accrued under the Executive Deferral Plan of Avista Corp. and will be settled in Avista Corp. Common Stock upon the reporting person's retirement.
- Share price will be 1 for 1 at the time of the reporting person's retirement date.
- Options were granted on 11/12/1998 and vested in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.
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- 5,800 Options were granted on 11/08/2001. Shares vest in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date. 2,900 Options have been exercised. 1,450 Options will vest on 11/08/2004 and 1,450 on 11/08/2005.
- 3,700 Options were granted on 11/07/2002. Shares vest in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date. 925 Options have been exercised. 925 Options will vest on 11/07/2004, 925 on 11/07/2005, and 925 on 11/07/2006.
- 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.
- No conversion price - Shares awarded if performance measure is met.

/s/ Don F. Kopczynski

05/26/2004

** 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 5 (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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