Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* NORWOOD KELLY O						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP [AVA]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Other (check the character)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1411 E MISSION AVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/02/2017								X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice President				
(Street) SPOKANE WA 99202 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	Line									dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(- 4)	(n-Deriv	ative	Sec	uriti	es Acc	uired,	Dis	posed o	f, or Be	neficial	ly Owned				
Date				2. Trans Date	ransaction te onth/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			5. Amou Securitie Benefici Owned F	nt of es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4)	Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3	tion(s)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock - Performance Shares 02,					02/02/2017				M		2,552	. A		8,	8,947			
Common Stock - Performance Shares 02/					2/02/2017				F		698(2)	D	\$38.4	2 8,	249	D		
Shares held in 401(k) Plan														12,91	0.4136	I	held by Trustee	
Shares held by Spouse in Dividend Reinvestment Plan														4.1	4.1813		held by Spouse	
		Ta									osed of, convertil			Owned		•		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/D	n Date,	Date, Transacti Code (Ins		of Der Sec Acq (A) Disp	ivative curities juired or posed D) ctr. 3, 4	6. Date E Expiratio (Month/E	on Dat		And 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securitie Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e Owners s Form: ally Direct (or Indii g (I) (Inst	Beneficial Ownership ect (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Conversion of 2014 Performance Shares	(1)	02/02/2017			М			1,575	(1)		(1)	Common Stock	1,575	(1)	0	D		

Explanation of Responses:

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- 1. Each performance share represents a contingent right to receive a share of Avista Common Stock upon achieving a specified performance measure.
- 2. Shares withheld to pay income tax on Performance Shares acquired 2/2/17.

/s/Kelly O. Norwood

** Signature of Reporting Person

02/06/2017

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 4 (b)(v).

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