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FORM 4			**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**															
			Washington, D.C. 20549													OMB APPROVAL		
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	subject to Section 16. Form 4															Expires: January 31, 2005		
	or Form 5 obligations may continue.		**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**													Estimated average burden		
	See instruction 1(b).															hours per response. . . . 0.5		
			Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility															
			Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940															
(Print or Type Responses)																		
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*					2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol							6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer						
														(Check all applicable)				
					Avista Corporation (AVA)								Director				10% Owner	
Syms		Terry		L.								x	Officer (give				Other (specify	
	(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		3. I.R.S. Identification				4. Statement for				title below)				below)	
					Number of Reporting				Month/Day/Year									
1411 E. Mission Avenue					Person, if an entity								Vice President & Corporate Secretary					
		(Street)			(Voluntary)				February 6, 2003									
									5. If Amendment, Date			7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Appplicable Line)						
									of Original (Month/Year)			__x__Form filed by One Reporting Person						
Spokane		WA		99202								_____Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
	(City)	(State)		(Zip)														
					Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned													
1. Title of Security					2. Trans-		3. Trans-		4. Securities Acquired (A)			5. Amount of		6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect			
(Instr. 3)					action		action		or Disposed of (D)			Securities		Form:	Beneficial			
					Date		Code		(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially		Direct (D)	Ownership			

							(Instr. 8)						Owned at		or	(Instr. 4)		
					(Month/								End of Month		Indirect (I)			
					Day/					(A) or			(Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)			
					Year)		Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price							
Common Stock (Joint with Spouse)													1,362		D			
Common Stock (401(k) Investment Plan Shares)													9,496		I	By Trustee		
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.																	(Over)	
*If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).																	SEC 1474 (9-02)	
								Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of										
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FORM 4 (continued)			Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned															
			(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)															
1. Title of Derivative Security			2. Conver-	3. Trans-	4. Trans-		5. Number of Deriv-		6. Date Exer-		7. Title and Amount of			8. Price	9. Number	10. Owner-		11. Nature
(Instr. 3)			sion or	action	action		ative Securities Ac-		cisable and		Underlying Securities			of	of Deriv-	ship		of
			Exercise	Date	Code		quired (A) or Dis-		Expiration		(Instr. 3 and 4)			Deriv-	ative	Form of		Indirect
			Price of		(Instr. 8)		posed of (D)		Date					ative	Secur-	Deriv-		Benefi-
			Deri-	(Month/			(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/					Secur-	ities	ative		cial
			vative	Day/					Year)					ity	Bene-	Security:		Owner-
			Security	Year)										(Instr.	ficially	Direct		ship
														5)	Owned	(D) or		(Instr.4)
															at End	Indirect		
															of Month	(I)		
									Date	Expira-	Title		Amount or		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		
									Exer-	tion			Number of					
					Code	V	(A)	(D)	cisable	Date			Shares					
Performance				02-06-	A		5,300		*		Com. Stk.		5,300		5,300	D		

Shares				03													
Explanation of Responses:																	
*	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.																
																	February 10, 2003
***	Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.																
																	***Signature of Reporting Person
																	Date
	See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).																
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