FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  MALQUIST MALYN K						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP [ AVA ]									c all applica Director	able)	Perso	on(s) to Issu	vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1411 E. MISSION AVE.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/05/2004									X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Sr. Vice President & CFO					
(Street) SPOKANE WA 99202  (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									. Indivine)	-'					
		Tabl	e I - Non	-Deriv	ative	Sec	urities	Acc	quired,	Dis	posed of	f, or Be	neficia	ally	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D				Execution Date,		Date,	Code (Instr. 5)							ily	Form:	Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
							Code	v	Amount	ount (A) or (D)		•	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				` ' '		
	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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date, Transac Code (li					6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivati Security			e es ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er					
Performance Shares	(1)	02/05/2004			A		15,500		(2)		(2)	Common	15,50	00	\$17.88	31,000	)	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. No conversion price shares awarded if performance measure is met.
- 2. 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.

/s/ Malyn K. Malquist 02/09/2004

\*\* 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 4 (b)(v).
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