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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Maw Scott Harlan | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP [AVA] | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | Issuer |
| <u>IVIAW SCUIL FIAIIAII</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | X | Dire | ctor | 10% | Owner |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 1411 E. MISSION AVENUE | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/02/2016 | | | | | | | | | Offic belo | er (give title w) | Othe belov | (specify v) |
| | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable | | | | |
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| (City) | (St | ate) (| Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | Pers | son | | |
| | | Tabl | e I - No | on-Deriv | ative | Sec | uritie | es Ac | quired | l, Dis | sposed o | f, or E | Benefic | ially | Own | ed | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day) | | | | | | Execution Date, | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 of D) | | | | and 5) Secui Benet | | icially d Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) o | Price | ! | Trans | action(s) 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock 09/02/20 | | | | | 2016 | 016 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | | 41(2) | A | \$40 | 40.52(1) | | 662 | D | | |
| | | Та | ble II - | | | | | | | | osed of, convertib | | | | wned | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deel Execution if any (Month/I | on Date, | | ansaction ode (Instr. | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | Exerc ion Da Day/Y | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | Deri Sec (Ins | vative derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported | Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | c | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercis | able | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares issued as an award of stock for Director Compensation. The price per share is the closing price on September 1, 2016.
- 2. Shares issued as part the Directors annual retainer.

Scott H. Maw 09/06/2016

** 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).
- ** 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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