FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person $^{\star}$ $\underline{TAYLOR~R~JOHN}$						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP [ AVA ]								(Chec	5. Relationship of Reportin (Check all applicable) X Director		g Person(s) to I 10% (	
(Last) 1411 E M	(Last) (First) (Middle) 1411 E MISSION AVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/17/2016								Offic belov	er (give title w)	Other below	(specify )
(Street) SPOKANE WA 99202 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da					Execution					4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				Secur Benef	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
										v	Amount	(A) (D)	or Pr	Price		action(s) 3 and 4)		(11150.4)
Common Stock 05/17/20					2016	016			A <sup>(1)</sup>		1,578 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	. \$	\$41.17(1)		4,078	I	Held in SEP IRA and 401(k) accounts
Common Stock															4,8	88.0319	D	
Shares held in an Executive Deferral Plan															5,496	I	Held by Trustee	
	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)	erivative Conversion Date Execution D curity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			on Date,		Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Exercion Da Day/Y	te Amore Amo		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. : and 4)  Amount or Number Title Shares		rice of ivative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares issued as an award of stock for Director Compensation. The price per share is the closing price on May 16, 2016.
- 2. Shares issued as part the Directors annual retainer.

<u>/s/R. John Taylor</u> <u>05/18/2016</u>

\*\* 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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