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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Storro Richard L</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AVISTA CORP</u> [AVA]	Officer (give title Other (gr	son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify			
(Last) 1411 E. MISS	(First) ION AVENUE	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/10/2012	X Once (give the Other (s), below) below) Vice President	below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
SPOKANE	WA	99202		X Form filed by One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	—	Form filed by More than One Reporti Person	ng			
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (8)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)
Common Stock Performance Shares	01/10/2012		М		4,590	Α	(1)	13,143	D	
Common Stock Performance Shares	01/10/2012		F		1,320 ⁽²⁾	D	\$25.22	11,823	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 8. Price of Derivative Security 1. Title of Derivative 3. Transaction Date 11. Nature of Indirect 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and 9. Number of 10. Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Conversion Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Execution Date Amount of derivative Ownership of Security or Exercise Price of (Month/Dav/Year) if any Derivative Securities Securities Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3) Securities (Instr. 5) Beneficially Direct (D) Ownership Derivative Acquired Owned or Indirect (Instr. 4) (A) or Disposed Following Reported Security (Instr. 3 and 4) (I) (Instr. 4) of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) Amount or Number Date Expiration of Code v (A) (D) Exercisable Date Title Shares Conversion of 2009 Common (1) 01/10/2012 (1) (1) (1) Μ 5.100 5.100 0 D Performance Stock Shares

Explanation of Responses:

1. Each performance share represents a contingent right to receive a share of Avista Common Stock upon Avista achieving a specified performance measure.

2. Shares withheld to pay income tax on Performance Shares acquired 1/10/2012.

/s/ Richard L Storro

** Signature of Reporting Person

01/12/2012

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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