FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  DURKIN MARIAN M					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AVISTA CORP</u> [ AVA ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title Other (specify				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1411 E. MISSION AVENUE (MSC-12)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/07/2013								below)		below) unsel and CC		
(Street) SPOKANE WA 99202 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Date				ansaction	action 2A. Deemed Execution Date			3. Transacti Code (Ins	ion I	osed of, or Benefic 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s For	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
Common Stock - Restricted Shares 02/0				/07/201	//2013			Code V	, ,	Amount 3,000	(A) or (D)	Price (1)	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		D	(Instr. 4)	
		Т	able II - Deri					ired, Dis options,					Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year	Code (Inst		n of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Performance Grant for	(2)	02/07/2013		A		12,000		(3)		(3)	Common	12,000	\$26.04	12,000	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Restricted Shares vest 1/3 each year over a 3-year period and are payable in Avista Corp. Common Stock at the end of each year in the 3-year period.
- 2. No conversion price. Shares awarded if performance measure is met.
- 3. Each performance cycle is 3 years in length. Shares will be issued at the end of each 3-year cycle if performance measure is met.

<u>/s/Marian M. Durkin</u> <u>02/11/2013</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  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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