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* <u>KELLY JOHN F</u>							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP [AVA]									o of Reporting Person(s) to Issue dicable) etor 10% Own			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1411 E MISSION AVE							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/02/2016								Officer (give title below)		Other (specify below)		
(Street) SPOKANE WA 99202 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Forn	or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable rm filed by One Reporting Person rm filed by More than One Reporting rson			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacting Date (Month/Day)						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Disposed Of (Secur Benef Owne	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) o (D)	r Pric	e		action(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 09/02/20)16		A ⁽¹⁾		41(2)	A	\$4	0.52 ⁽¹⁾	2	4,509	D		
	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)	Execution if any	any C Month/Day/Year) 8		ransaction ode (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Exercisable Expiration Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Number of Title Shares		rice of ivative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Owne Form Direc or Ind (I) (In	t (D) lirect	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 September 1, 2016.
- 2. Shares issued as part the Directors annual retainer.

<u>/s/John F. Kelly</u> <u>09/06/2016</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).
- ** 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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