FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  KELLY JOHN F					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP AVA								(Che	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1411 E MISSION AVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/06/2011								- X	Offic below	er (give title		Owner r (specify v)		
(Street) SPOKANE WA 99202 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Inc Line)	) K Forn Forn	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  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. Transaction Date (Month/Day)					Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Instr.		red (A) str. 3, 4	or and 5)	Securi Benefi Owne	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership					
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		ce		action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 09/06/20					2011	011		<b>A</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		249 <sup>(2)</sup> A S		\$2	24.03 <sup>(1</sup>	2	23,213	D			
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Dee Execution if any (Month/I	on Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)				6. Date Exercisabl Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		ite	nd 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun		r. 3	Price of erivative ecurity estr. 5)		Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Numb of Share						

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Shares issued under the Long Term Incentive Plan (LTIP) as an award of stock for director compensation utilizing "new issue" stock price. The price per share (per LTIP) is the closing price on Friday, September 2, 2011.

2. Shares issued as part of Mr. Kelly's director retainer.

<u>/s/ John F. Kelly</u> <u>09/07/2011</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).
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