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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

À RACICOT MARC F

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

05/08/2009

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AVISTA CORP [AVA]

1411 E MISSION AVENUE

(Street)

4. Relationship of Reporting

Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

X Director 10% Owner Officer

Other (give title below) (specify below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

SPOKANE, WAÂ 99202

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities

Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Title

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of

Derivative

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Expiration Date Exercisable

Date

Amount or Number of Shares

Security Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RACICOT MARC F

1411 E MISSION AVENUE Â X Â Â

SPOKANE, WAÂ 99202

Signatures

/s/ Marc F. 05/18/2009 Racicot

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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