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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Christie Kevin J Issuer Symbol AVISTA CORP [AVA] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify 1411 E MISSION AVE 01/11/2018 below) Vice President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SPOKANE, WA 99202 Person

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(City)	(State) (Zip	Table I	- Non-Der	ivative Se	curiti	es Acquir	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	(A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock - Performance Shares	01/11/2018		M		A	(1)	8,384	D	
Common Stock - Performance Shares	01/11/2018		F	1,149 (2)	D	\$ 51.62	7,235	D	
Common Stock held in 401(k) Plan							2,554.06	I	held by Trustee

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

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction Derivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Conversion of 2015 Performance Shares	<u>(1)</u>	01/11/2018		M	2,770	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	2,770	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationship
Reporting Owner Maine / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Christie Kevin J

1411 E MISSION AVE Vice President

SPOKANE, WA 99202

Signatures

/s/Kevin J. 01/12/2018 Christie

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Each performance share represents a contingent right to receive a share of Avista Common Stock upon achieving a specified performance measure.
- (2) Shares withheld to pay income tax on Performance Shares acquired 1/11/18.

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