

AVISTA CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MALQUIST MALYN K

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1411 E MISSION AVE

(Street)

SPOKANE, WA 99202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AVISTA CORP [AVA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/12/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|  |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount (A) or (D) Price   |  |   |
| Common Stock - 2007 Restricted Stock Award | 01/12/2009                           |  | F                              |   | 262 <sup>(1)</sup> D \$ 19.15   | 50,739   | D   |
| Common Stock - 2008 Restricted Stock Award | 01/12/2009                           |  | F                              |   | 389 <sup>(2)</sup> D \$ 19.15   | 50,350   | D   |
| Common Stock                               | 01/14/2009                           |  | M                              |   | 26,250 <sup>(3)</sup> A \$ 10.17  | 76,600   | D   |

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|  |            |   |               |   |          |        |   |            |
|--|------------|---|---------------|---|----------|--------|---|------------|
| Common Stock                                 | 01/14/2009 | S | 26,250<br>(3) | D | \$ 18.66 | 50,350 | D |            |
| Common Stock held in 401(k) Investment Plan  |            |   |               |   |          | 3,021  | I | by Trustee |
| Common Stock held in Executive Deferral Plan |            |   |               |   |          | 10,166 | I | by Trustee |
| Common Stock held by Family Trust (6)        |            |   |               |   |          | 9,500  | I | by Trustee |

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) | 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) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Exercise of Stock Option                   | \$ 10.17   | 01/14/2009                           |  | M                              | 26,250  | (4) 11/06/2012   | Common Stock  | 26,250                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address         | Relationships                    |
|--|----------------------------------|
|  | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| MALQUIST MALYN K<br>1411 E MISSION AVE | Executive Vice President         |

SPOKANE, WA 99202

## Signatures

/s/ Malyn K.

01/14/2009

Malquist

\_\_Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## 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) Shares sold to pay income tax on second 1/3 of 2007 restricted shares that vested on 01/02/2009.
- (2) Shares sold to pay income tax on first 1/3 of 2008 restricted shares that vested on 01/02/2009.
- (3) Transaction per Mr. Malquist's 10b5-1 Plan dated August 20, 2008.
- (4) Options vest in four equal annual installments beginning the first anniversary of the grant date. Mr. Malquist receive an option grant of 26,250 shares on 11/07/2002.
- (5) Total reflects the number of derivative securities remaining under this particular option grant.
- (6) The Malquist Family Trust, dated February 5, 1999, with Malyn K. Malquist and Georgia G. Malquist, Trustees.

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