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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 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement AVISTA CORP [AVA] Vermillion Dennis P (Month/Day/Year) 07/02/2007 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 1411 E MISSION AVENUE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting \_X\_\_ Officer Other Person SPOKANE, WAÂ 99202 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Vice President Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock - Restricted Shares (1) 800 Common Stock (401(k) Investment Plan 6,669 Ι by Trustee **Shares** Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying	4. Conversion		
,	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	or Exercise Price of	Form of Derivative	Ownership (Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
2007 Performance Share Grant	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	3,000	\$ (3)	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	(4)	11/12/2008	Common Stock	3,075	\$ 18.63	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	(5)	11/11/2009	Common Stock	4,400	\$ 17.31	D	Â

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Vermillion Dennis P 1411 E MISSION AVENUE SPOKANE, WA 99202	Â	Â	Vice President	Â	

## **Signatures**

/s/ Dennis P.
Vermillion

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

O7/10/2007

Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Restricted shares vest one-third each year over a three-year period and are payable in Avista Corp. Common Stock at the end of each year in the three-year period.
- (2) Each performance cycle is three years in length. Shares are issued at the end of each three-year cycle if performance measure is met.
- (3) No conversion price shares awarded if performance measure is met.
- (4) Option was granted on 11/12/1998 and vested in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (5) Option was granted on 11/11/1999 and vested in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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