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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Schlect Edward David

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

AVISTA CORP [AVA]

(Check all applicable)

1411 E. MISSION AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner

02/02/2017

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Code

Α

(Instr. 8)

Code V Amount

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Vice President

(Instr. 4)

Applicable Line)

X 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

SPOKANE, WA 99202

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

02/02/2017

3. 4. Securities Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or

Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(A)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

Owned

(Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

Common

Security

(Instr. 3)

Stock -

(Middle)

1,388 Α (1) 3,437 D

Restricted **Shares**

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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. Transacti 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 E S (1
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Performance Share Grant for 2017	(2)	02/02/2017		A	4,158	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	4,158	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Schlect Edward David 1411 E. MISSION AVENUE SPOKANE, WA 99202

Vice President

Signatures

/s/Edward D. 02/03/2017 Schlect

**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) Restricted Shares vest 1/3 each year over a 3-year period and are payable in Avista Corp. Common Stock at the end of each year in the 3-year period.
- (2) No conversion price. Shares awarded if performance measure is met.
- (3) Each performance cycle is 3 years in length. Shares will be issued at the end of each 3-year cycle if performance measure is met.

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