MORRIS SCOTT L

Form 4

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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 * MORRIS SCOTT L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP [AVA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(Last) (First)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
1411 E MISS	` '	(Middle)	(Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2018	Director 10% Owner Specify below) Other (specify below) Chairman and CEO			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
SPOKANE, V	WA 99202		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City) (State)) (Zip)	Table I - Non-	Derivative	Securities	Acqu	ired, Dis	posed of, or Bend	eficially Own	ed
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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock -			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	r (Instr. 3 and 4		(I) (Instr. 4)	
2018 Restricted Stock Award	02/01/2018		A	13,280	A	(1)	217,420	D	
Common Stock - 2015, 2016 and 2017 Restricted Stock	02/01/2018		F	5,228 (2)	D	\$ 50.08	212,192	D	
Common Stock-Performance Shares	02/01/2018		M	10,226	A	(3)	222,418	D	
	02/01/2018		F		A		218,394	D	

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 $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Common} & & 4,024 & \$ \\ \text{Stock-Performance} & & \underline{^{(4)}} & & 50.08 \end{array}$

Shares

Estimated Shares held in 401(k) Plan

164.64 I held by trustee

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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 or Derivative Securities (A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4	Acquired posed of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Sh
Conversion of 2015 Performance Shares related to CEPS	<u>(3)</u>	02/01/2018		M		13,280	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	13,2
Performance Share Grant for 2018	<u>(5)</u>	02/01/2018		A	29,438		<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	29,4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MORRIS SCOTT L 1411 E MISSION AVE SPOKANE, WA 99202

Chairman and CEO

Signatures

/s/Scott L. 02/05/2018 Morris

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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- * 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) Shares withheld to pay income tax on Restricted Shares acquired 2/1/18.
- (3) Each performance share represents a contingent right to receive a share of Avista Common Stock upon achieving a specified performance measure.
- (4) Shares withheld to pay income tax on Performance Shares acquired 2/1/18.
- (5) No conversion price. Shares awarded if performance measure is met.
- (6) 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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