

AVISTA CORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
10653 S. RIVER FRONT  
PARKWAY, SUITE 300  
(Street)

SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/09/2009

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)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 - Performance Shares	01/09/2009		M		15,576	A	11 55,579
Common Stock - Performance Shares	01/09/2009		F		4,269	D	\$ 19.15 51,310
Common Stock - 2006 Restricted Share Award	01/09/2009		S		309	D	\$ 19.1 51,001

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 (4)	9,500	I	by Trust

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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Conversion of 2006 Performance Shares	(1)	01/09/2009		M	13,200	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	13,200

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MALQUIST MALYN K 10653 S. RIVER FRONT PARKWAY SUITE 300 SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095			Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

/s/ Malyn K.  
Malquist

01/13/2009

\_\_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) Each performance share represented a contingent right to receive a share of Avista Common Stock upon Avista achieving a specified performance measure.
- (2) Shares sold to pay income tax on Performance Shares acquired on 1/9/2009.
- (3) Shares sold to pay income tax on final 1/3 of 2006 restricted shares that vested on 12/31/2008.
- (4) The Malquist Family Trust, dated February 5, 1999, with Malyn K. Malquist and Georgia G. Malquist, Trustees

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