AVISTA CORP Form 4 January 09, 2008

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

1411 E. MISSION AVENUE

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Middle)

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(MSC-12)

DURKIN MARIAN M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

AVISTA CORP [AVA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/07/2008

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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2005

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Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) Sr. VP, General Counsel & CCO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

SPOKANE, WA 99202				Person						
	(City)	(State) (Zi	p) Table I	- Non-Der	ivative Sec	curitie	s Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	ution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
	Common			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
	Stock - Performance Shares	01/07/2008		M	10,075	A	(1)	15,248	D	
	Common Stock - Performance Shares	01/07/2008		F	2,372 (2)	D	\$ 20.75	12,876	D	
	Common Stock - Restricted Share Award	01/07/2008		F	228 (3)	A	\$ 20.75	12,648	D	

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Conversion of 2005 Performance Shares	<u>(1)</u>	01/07/2008		M	15,500	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	15,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DURKIN MARIAN M 1411 E. MISSION AVENUE (MSC-12) SPOKANE, WA 99202			Sr. VP, General Counsel & CCO				

Signatures

/s/ Marian M.
Durkin

**Signature of Reporting Person

O1/09/2008

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 1/7/2008.
- (3) Shares sold to pay income tax on restricted shares that vested on 1/7/2008.

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