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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * THIES MARK T			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP [AVA]				g	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1411 E. MISSION AVE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/05/2015					Director 10% Owner Senior Vice President Other (specify below)			
				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabla	I - Non-Da	rivativa S	acurit	tios Aco	Person uired, Disposed o	of or Repeticie	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction I (Month/Day/Ye	ear) Execut any		3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi	ties I (A) of I of (E 4 and (A) or	or O)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	·	
Common Stock - Restricted Shares	02/05/2015			A	4,220	A	(1)	61,514	D		
Common Stock - Held by Elizabeth A. Thies								5,751	I	held by Spouse	

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

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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 orDerivative 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
Performance Share Grant for 2015	(2)	02/05/2015		A	12,665	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	12,665

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

THIES MARK T 1411 E. MISSION AVE SPOKANE, WA 99202

Senior Vice President

Signatures

/s/Mark T. Thies 02/09/2015

**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) 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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