**AVISTA CORP** Form 4 February 05, 2016

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Thackston Jason R

(Middle)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol AVISTA CORP [AVA]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director

10% Owner Other (specify

1411 E MISSION AVENUE

(Month/Day/Year) 02/04/2016

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X\_ Officer (give title below) Senior Vice President

below)

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

SPOKANE, WA 99202

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(City) (State)

> 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount

Α

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) (D)

Α

Price

(1)

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common

Stock -Restricted

**Shares** 

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

02/04/2016

2.793

20,432

D

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 (I
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Performance Share Grant for 2016	<u>(2)</u>	02/04/2016		A	8,378	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	8,378	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Thackston Jason R 1411 E MISSION AVENUE SPOKANE, WA 99202

Senior Vice President

### **Signatures**

/s/Jason R. 02/05/2016 Thackston

\*\*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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