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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FELTES KAREN S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP [AVA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
1411 E MISSI	ON AVE		(Month/Day/Year) 02/02/2017	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP and CHRO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
SPOKANE, W	VA 99202		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (Z	Table Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly 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 onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock - Restricted Shares	02/02/2017		A	3,300	A	(1)	29,201	D	

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number own Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day)	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8 E S ()
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Performance Share Grant for 2017	<u>(2)</u>	02/02/2017		A	9,895	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	9,895	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FELTES KAREN S 1411 E MISSION AVE SPOKANE, WA 99202

SVP and CHRO

Signatures

/s/Karen S. 02/03/2017 Feltes

**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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