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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)

OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 15, 2018

AVISTA CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington (State of other jurisdiction of

1-3701 (Commission

91-0462470 (I.R.S. Employer

incorporation)

file number)

Identification No.)

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1411 East Mission Avenue, Spokane, Washington (Address of principal executive offices)

99202-2600 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: Web site: http://www.avistacorp.com 509-489-0500

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Section 8 Other Events

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On May 15, 2018, Avista Corporation (the Company) entered into an underwriting agreement with the underwriters named therein (the Underwriting Agreement) for the sale of \$375,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its First Mortgage Bonds, 4.35% Series due 2048 (the Bonds). The sale of the Bonds is expected to close on May 22, 2018 subject to the satisfaction of customary closing conditions, as further described in the Underwriting Agreement. The Bonds were registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, by means of the Company s automatic shelf Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-209714).

Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

- 1(a)(1) <u>Underwriting Agreement, dated May 15, 2018, between the Company and the underwriters named therein</u>
- 4(a)(62) Sixty-first Supplemental Indenture to the Mortgage dated as of May 1, 2018.
- 5(a)(1) Opinion and Consent of Marian M. Durkin, Esq.
- 5(a)(2) Opinion and Consent of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP.
- 25(a)(1) Statement of Eligibility under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, of Citibank, N.A., as Trustee under the Mortgage.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

AVISTA CORPORATION (Registrant)

Date: May 21, 2018

/s/ Marian M. Durkin

Marian M. Durkin

Senior Vice President, General Counsel,

Corporate Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer