

MORRIS SCOTT L
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MORRIS SCOTT L

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1411 E MISSION AVE
(Street)

SPOKANE, WA 99202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AVISTA CORP [AVA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/07/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Chairman, President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock - 2010 Restricted Stock Award | 02/07/2013 | | F | 1,177 (1) | D \$ 26.04 | 153,360 | D |
| Common Stock - 2011 Restricted Stock Award | 02/07/2013 | | F | 1,137 (2) | D \$ 26.04 | 152,223 | D |

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|---|------------|---|--------------|---|-------------|-------------|---|---------------|
| Common Stock - 2012 Restricted Stock Award | 02/07/2013 | F | 1,104 (3) | D | \$ 26.04 | 151,119 | D | |
| Common Stock - 2013 Restricted Shares | 02/07/2013 | A | 12,100 | A | (4) | 163,219 | D | |
| Common Stock held in 401(k) Investment Plan | | | | | | 14,004.7371 | I | by Trustee |

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. Transaction 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) | Amount or Number of Shares | |
|---|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|---|-------------------------------------|--------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | |
| Performance Shares | (5) | 02/07/2013 | | A | 42,500 | (6) | (6) | Common Stock | 42,500 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

MORRIS SCOTT L
1411 E MISSION AVE
SPOKANE, WA 99202

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Chairman, President and CEO

Signatures

/s/ Scott L.
Morris

02/11/2013

__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) Shares withheld to cover income tax on last 1/3 vested portion of 2010 Restricted Stock Award
- (2) Shares withheld to cover income tax on second 1/3 vested portion of 2011 Restricted Stock Award.
- (3) Shares withheld to cover income tax on first 1/3 vested portion of 2012 Restricted Stock Award.
- (4) 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.
- (5) No conversion price. Shares awarded if performance measure is met.
- (6) 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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