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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Add <u>Storro Rich</u>	ress of Reporting F ard L	Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AVISTA CORP</u> [AVA]		tionship of Reporting Pe all applicable) Director	10% Owner					
(Last) 1411 E. MISS	(First) ION AVENUE	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/11/2011		Officer (give title below) Vice Presi	Other (specify below) dent					
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, Transaction Disposed Of (D)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)
Common Stock - Performance Shares	01/11/2011		М		3,565	A	(1)	8,670	D	
Common Stock - Performance Shares	01/11/2011		F		1,075 ⁽²⁾	D	\$22.95	7,595	D	

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. Transa Code (8)		of Exp		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Conversion of 2008 Performance Shares	(1)	01/11/2011		М			3,100	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	3,100	(1)	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Each performance share represented a contingent right to receive a share of Avista Common Stock upon Avista achieving a specified performance measure.

2. Shares withheld to pay income tax on Performance Shares acquired 1/11/2011

/s/ Richard L Storro

01/12/2011 Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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