STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

WOODWORTH ROGER D

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Active WOODWOF	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AVISTA CORP [AVA]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last) 1411 E MISS	(Month/Day	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/12/2009			(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice President				
SDOVANIE	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
SPOKANE,	WA 99202					Person			
(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	ar	A. Deemed xecution Date, if ny Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) or l of (D) 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)	
Common Stock - Restricted Shares	02/12/2009		A	1,300	A (1)	13,558	D		
Common Stock held in 401(k) Investment Plan						18,180	I	by Trustee	
Common Stock held in Executive						8,231	I	by Trustee	

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Deferral Plan			
Common Stock held by Son, Patrick Woodworth	116	I	by Child
Common Stock held by Son, Bryce Woodworth	157	I	by Child
Common Stock held by Daughter, Brianna Woodworth	116	I	by Child
Common Stock held in IRA	400	I	by Trustee
Common Stock held by Spouse in IRA	1,000	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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 II S
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Performance Shares	(2)	02/12/2009		A	5,100	(3)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	5,100	

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WOODWORTH ROGER D 1411 E MISSION AVE SPOKANE, WA 99202

Vice President

Signatures

/s/ Roger D. 02/17/2009 Woodworth

**Signature of Reporting Date
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 one-third each year over a three-year period and are payable in Avista Corp. Common Stock at the end of each year in the three-year period.
- (2) No conversion price. Shares awarded if performance measure is met.
- (3) Each performance cycle is three years in length. Shares will be issued at the end of each three-year cycle if performance measure is met.

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