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# FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * THIES MARK T			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> 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	( Francisco			
1411 E MISSION AVE			(Month/Day/Year) 03/12/2009	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. Vice President & CFO			
(Street) SPOKANE, WA 99202			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)				

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative S	ecurities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Oper Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 a	` ′	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 Common	03/12/2009		P	3,000 A	. \$	5,500	I	by Spouse
Stock						17,732	D	

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Title		8. Price of	9. Nu
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					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
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						Date	Expiration		or		
					Exercisable	Date	Title Number	Number			
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

THIES MARK T 1411 E MISSION AVE SPOKANE, WA 99202

Sr. Vice President & CFO

## **Signatures**

/s/ Mark T. 03/13/2009 Thies

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

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