

Thoren Diane C
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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 *
Thoren Diane C

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1411 E. MISSION AVENUE
(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)
06/12/2009

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)
Treasurer

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. Transaction 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)
Common Stock - Restricted Stock Award	06/12/2009 ⁽¹⁾		A	200 A <u>(2)</u>	1,747	D	
Common Stock held in 401(k) Investment Plan					4,024	I	by Trustee
Common Stock held in Executive Deferral Plan					944	I	by Trustee

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Common Stock held in Custodial Account for Grandson	36	I	by Grandson Zachery Brown
Common Stock held in Custodial Account for Niece	56	I	by Niece Meagan Cuthill
Common Stock held in Custodial Account for Niece	36	I	by Niece Katherine Cuthill
Common Stock held in Custodial Account for Niece	12	I	by Niece McIntyre Cuthill
Common Stock held in Custodial Account for Granddaughter	22	I	by Granddaughter McKenzie Brown
Common Stock held in Custodial Account for Grandson	13	I	by Grandson Colton Materne
Common Stock held in Custodial Account for Granddaughter	6	I	by Granddaughter Avery Materne

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. D
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Share Award	(3)	06/12/2009 ⁽¹⁾			A		1,000		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	1,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Thoren Diane C 1411 E. MISSION AVENUE SPOKANE, WA 99202			Treasurer	

Signatures

/s/ Diane C.
Thoren

06/19/2009

**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 awarded upon appointment as Treasurer on June 12, 2009. Form 3 filed with the SEC on June 19, 2009 (within 10-day requirement); Form 4 filed immediately thereafter.
- (2) 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.
- (3) No conversion price. Shares awarded if performance measure is met.
- (4) Each performance cycle is three years in length. Shares will be issued at the end of each three-year cycle if performance is met.

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