MEYER DAVID J
Form 4
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MEYER DAVID J

(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)
03/14/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/14/2012		M[(1)]		87	A	$ 10.17	3,279	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2012		S[(1)]		74 [(4)]	D	$ 25.25	3,205	D	
Common Stock held in 401(k) Invetment Plan								3,635	I	by Trustee
Common Stock held								7,588	I	by Trustee

in Excecutive Deferral Account					
Common Stock held in IRA at DA Davidson			1,142	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)		8. Price Deriva Securit (Instr.
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Exercise of Stock Option	$ 10.17	03/14/2012		M		87 (4)		(2)	11/07/2012	Common Stock	87	$ 25.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MEYER DAVID J 1411 E MISSION AVE SPOKANE, WA 99202			Vice President	

Signatures

/s/ David J Meyer	03/16/2012
**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) Exercise and Sale of Stock Option Grant expiring 11/7/2012

(2) Option vest in four equal installments the first anniversary date of grant. Mr. Meyer acquired the grant option of 26,250 11/7/2002.

(3) Total reflects the number of derivative securities remaining for the particular grant.

(4) Mr. Meyer exercised 87 share of his Stock Option Grant as a cashless sale to a net of 74 shares in order to fulfill his 300 share stock sale transaction on 3/14/2012.

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