ELY GARY G

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **ELY GARY G**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

AVISTA CORP [AVA]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

02/12/2007

below) Chairman & CEO

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4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SPOKANE, WA 99202

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following Reported (A) Transaction(s)

7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Beneficial Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect (Instr. 4)

Price

(Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D)

Common Stock -

Restricted

02/12/2007

1.539 S

143,624

D

Shares

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)

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Reporting Owners

Kelationships						
Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
X		Chairman & CEO				
		Director 10% Owner	Director 10% Owner Officer			

Signatures

/s/ Gary G. Ely 02/12/2007

**Signature of 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 sold to pay income taxes on restricted shares that vested on 2/8/2007.

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