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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 *
 Schlect Edward David

(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)
 02/01/2018

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)
 Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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-Performance Shares	02/01/2018		M	1,069 A	(1) 7,004	D	
Common Stock-Performance Shares	02/01/2018		F	261 (2) D	\$ 50.08 6,743	D	
Common Stock-Restricted Shares	02/01/2018		A	1,024 A	(3) 7,767	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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- (2) Shares withheld to pay income tax on Performance Shares acquired 2/1/18.
- (3) Restricted Shares vest 1/3 each year over a 3-year period and are payable in Avista Corp. Common Stock at the end of each year in the 3-year period.
- (4) No conversion price. Shares awarded if performance measure is met.
- (5) Each performance cycle is 3 years in length. Shares will be issued at the end of each 3-year cycle if performance measure is met.

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