

AVISTA CORP  
Form 8-K  
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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 28, 2004

**AVISTA CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Washington   | 1-3701                      | 91-0462470                              |
| (State or other jurisdiction of<br>incorporation or organization)  | (Commission<br>File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |
| 1411 East Mission Avenue, Spokane, Washington  |                             | 99202-2600                              |
| (Address of principal executive offices)   |                             | (Zip Code)                              |
| Registrant's telephone number, including area code:<br>Web site: <a href="http://www.avistacorp.com">http://www.avistacorp.com</a> |                             | 509-489-0500                            |
| (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)  |                             |   |

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**Item 7. Exhibits**

99(a) Press release dated January 28, 2004, which is being furnished pursuant to Item 12.

**Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

The information in this report shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

On January 28, 2004, Avista Corporation (Avista Corp.) issued a press release announcing 2004 fourth quarter and year-end earnings. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99(a).

Neither the furnishing of any press release as an exhibit to this Current Report nor the inclusion in such press releases of a reference to Avista Corp.'s Internet address shall, under any circumstances, be deemed to incorporate the information available at such Internet address into this Current Report. The information available at Avista Corp.'s Internet address is not part of this Current Report or any other report furnished or filed by Avista Corp. with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

AVISTA CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

Date: January 28, 2004

/s/ Malyn K. Malquist

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Malyn K. Malquist  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer