

AVISTA CORP  
Form 8-K  
October 21, 2004

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**UNITED STATES  
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): October 21, 2004

**AVISTA CORPORATION**

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington

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1-3701

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91-0462470

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(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

1411 East Mission Avenue, Spokane, Washington

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99202-2600

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:  
Web site: <http://www.avistacorp.com>

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509-489-0500

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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**Section 2 Financial Information**

**Item 2.02 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 October 21, 2004, Avista Corporation (Avista Corp.) issued a press release announcing 2004 third quarter and year-to-date 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.

**Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**(a) Exhibits**

99(a) Press release dated October 21, 2004, which is being furnished pursuant to Item 2.02.

**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: October 21, 2004

/s/ Malyn K. Malquist  
Malyn K. Malquist  
Senior Vice President, Chief Financial  
Officer and Treasurer