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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): December 12, 2016

AVISTA CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington 1-3701 91-0462470
(State of other jurisdiction of (Commission (I.R.S. Employer incorporation) file number) Identification No.)

1411 East Mission Avenue, Spokane, Washington 99202-2600 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 509-489-0500

Web site: http://www.avistacorp.com

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Section 7 – Regulation FD Disclosure

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On December 13, 2016 and December 14, 2016, management of Avista Corporation (Avista Corp. or the Company) will be participating in meetings with investors and analysts in New York, New York. The same business update presentation will be used at all of the meetings. A copy of the business update presentation is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and is available in the "Investors" section of Avista Corp.'s website at http://investor.avistacorp.com/phoenix.zhtml?c=97267&p=irol-calendarpast.

As part of this update, Avista Corp. expects to confirm earnings guidance for 2016. The 2016 earnings guidance was included in Avista Corp.'s third quarter of 2016 earnings release furnished on Form 8-K on November 1, 2016. The 2016 earnings guidance is subject to the risks, uncertainties and other factors set forth or referred to in such earnings release, the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015 and the Company's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2016.

The information in this report, including Exhibit 99.1, 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.

Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Business update presentation dated December 2016, which is being furnished pursuant to Item 7.01.

The inclusion in this Current Report or in Exhibit 99.1 of a reference to Avista Corp.'s Internet address shall not, 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: December 12, 2016 /s/ Marian M. Durkin

Marian M. Durkin Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Corporate Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer