

AVISTA CORP  
Form 8-K  
December 20, 2010

**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 15, 2010**

**AVISTA CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Washington**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-3701**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**91-0462470**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

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**1411 East Mission Avenue, Spokane, Washington**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**99202-2600**  
(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)**

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Section 8 Other Events**

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On December 15, 2010, \$66.7 million of the City of Forsyth, Montana Pollution Control Revenue Refunding Bonds, (Avista Corporation Colstrip Project) due 2032, which had been held by Avista Corp. since 2008, were refunded by a new bond issue (Series 2010A). The new bonds were not offered to the public and were purchased by Avista Corp. due to market conditions. The Company expects that at a later date, subject to market conditions, these bonds will be remarketed to unaffiliated investors. So long as Avista Corp. is the holder of these bonds, the bonds will not be reflected as an asset or a liability on Avista Corp.'s Consolidated Balance Sheet.

On December 15, 2010, \$17.0 million of the City of Forsyth, Montana Pollution Control Revenue Refunding Bonds, (Avista Corporation Colstrip Project) due 2034, which had been held by Avista Corp. since 2009, were refunded by a new bond issue (Series 2010B). The new bonds were not offered to the public and were purchased by Avista Corp. due to market conditions. The Company expects that at a later date, subject to market conditions, the bonds will be remarketed to unaffiliated investors. So long as Avista Corp. is the holder of these bonds, the bonds will not be reflected as an asset or a liability on Avista Corp.'s Consolidated Balance Sheet.

**Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**(d) Exhibits**

- 4.1 Loan Agreement between City of Forsyth, Montana and Avista Corporation \$66,700,000 City of Forsyth, Montana Pollution Control Revenue Refunding Bonds (Avista Corporation Colstrip Project) Series 2010A, dated as of December 1, 2010.
- 4.2 Loan Agreement between City of Forsyth, Montana and Avista Corporation \$17,000,000 City of Forsyth, Montana Pollution Control Revenue Refunding Bonds (Avista Corporation Colstrip Project) Series 2010B, dated as of December 1, 2010.
- 4.3 Trust Indenture between City of Forsyth, Montana and the Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as Trustee, \$66,700,000 City of Forsyth, Montana Pollution Control Revenue Refunding Bonds (Avista Corporation Colstrip Project) Series 2010A, dated as of December 1, 2010.
- 4.4 Trust Indenture between City of Forsyth, Montana and the Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as Trustee, \$17,000,000 City of Forsyth, Montana Pollution Control Revenue Refunding Bonds (Avista Corporation Colstrip Project) Series 2010B, dated as of December 1, 2010.
- 4.5 Forty-Eighth Supplemental Indenture, dated as of December 1, 2010.

**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 20, 2010

/s/ Marian M. Durkin  
Marian M. Durkin  
Senior Vice President, General Counsel  
and Chief Compliance Officer