

<div>Form 5500</div> <div>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</div> <div>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</div> <div>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div>	<div>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</div> <div>This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).</div> <div>▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</div>	<div>OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089</div> <div>2023</div> <div>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</div>
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023	
A	This return/report is for: <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> a multiemployer plan</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a single-employer plan</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> a DFE (specify) _____</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> the first return/report</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> the final return/report</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> an amended return/report</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)</div></div>
C	If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>
D	Check box if filing under: <div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 5558</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> automatic extension</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> the DFVC program</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> special extension (enter description)</div></div>
E	If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information
1a	Name of plan AVISTA CORPORATION RETIREE BENEFITS PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 525
1c	Effective date of plan 01/01/2014
2a	Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) AVISTA CORPORATION 1411 EAST MISSION AVENUE P.O. BOX 3727 SPOKANE, WA 99220-3727
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 91-1153956
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 509-489-0500
2d	Business code (see instructions) 221100

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.			
Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.			
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/15/2024	LAURA VICKERS
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/15/2024	JOHN WILCOX
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number <div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 2277
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d). a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	<div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> <div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> 6a(1) 1157 6a(2) 1173 6b 1114 6c 6d 2287 6e 6f 6g(1) 6g(2) 6h
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

4A 4B 4D 4E 4H 4Q

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor
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10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules

- (1) ☐ **R** (Retirement Plan Information)
- (2) ☐ **MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (3) ☐ **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (4) ☐ **DCG** (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____
- (5) ☐ **MEP** (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)

b General Schedules

- (1) ☒ **H** (Financial Information)
- (2) ☐ **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- (3) ☒ **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached 3
- (4) ☒ **C** (Service Provider Information)
- (5) ☐ **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
- (6) ☐ **G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2023 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2023 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

<div>SCHEDULE A</div> <div>(Form 5500)</div> <div>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</div> <div>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</div> <div>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div>	<div>Insurance Information</div> <div>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</div> <div>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div> <div>▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).</div>	<div>OMB No. 1210-0110</div> <div>2023</div> <div>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</div>
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan AVISTA CORPORATION RETIREE BENEFITS PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	525
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 AVISTA CORPORATION	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 91-1153956	

Part I	Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions	Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.
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1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
13-5581829	65978	0073675	0	01/01/2023	12/31/2023

2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

(a) Total amount of commissions paid 11243	(b) Total amount of fees paid 6371
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3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid
MERCER HEALTH & BENEFITS LLC 4565 PAYSPIRE CIR
CHICAGO, IL 60674

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
11243	6371	SUPPLEMENTAL COMPENSATION	3

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
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Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

4 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	
5 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:**a** State the basis of premium rates ▶

b Premiums paid to carrier	6b	
c Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year.....	6c	
d If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount. Specify nature of costs ▶	6d	

e Type of contract: (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity
(3) ☐ other (specify) ▶

f If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶ ☐**7** Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)

a Type of contract: (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee
(3) ☐ guaranteed investment (4) ☐ other ▶

b Balance at the end of the previous year	7b	
c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	
(2) Dividends and credits	7c(2)	
(3) Interest credited during the year	7c(3)	
(4) Transferred from separate account.....	7c(4)	
(5) Other (specify below)	7c(5)	
(6) Total additions	7c(6)	0
d Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	
e Deductions:		
(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	
(2) Administration charge made by carrier	7e(2)	
(3) Transferred to separate account.....	7e(3)	
(4) Other (specify below)	7e(4)	
(5) Total deductions	7e(5)	0
f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d)	7f	

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organizations(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

- a** ☐ Health (other than dental or vision)
b ☐ Dental
c ☐ Vision
d ☒ Life insurance
e ☐ Temporary disability (accident and sickness)
f ☒ Long-term disability
g ☐ Supplemental unemployment
h ☐ Prescription drug
i ☐ Stop loss (large deductible)
j ☐ HMO contract
k ☐ PPO contract
l ☐ Indemnity contract
m ☒ Other (specify) **▶ ADD**

9 Experience-rated contracts:

a Premiums: (1) Amount received	9a(1)		
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid.....	9a(2)		
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	9a(3)		
(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3)).....		9a(4)	
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid.....	9b(1)		
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	9b(2)		
(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2)).....		9b(3)	
(4) Claims charged		9b(4)	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)		
(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)		
(C) Other specific acquisition costs	9c(1)(C)		
(D) Other expenses	9c(1)(D)		
(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)		
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies.....	9c(1)(F)		
(G) Other retention charges	9c(1)(G)		
(H) Total retention		9c(1)(H)	
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> credited.).....		9c(2)	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement		9d(1)	
(2) Claim reserves		9d(2)	
(3) Other reserves.....		9d(3)	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).)		9e	

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier	10a	68
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount	10b	

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A?..... ☒ Yes ☐ No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. **▶**

CARRNOT ABLE TO BREAKOUT RETIREE

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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 AVISTA CORPORATION	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 91-1153956

Part I	Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions	Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.
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1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
UNUM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
01-0278678	62235	917825	1662	01/01/2023	12/31/2023

2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

(a) Total amount of commissions paid 14634	(b) Total amount of fees paid 12195
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3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid
MERCER HEALTH & BENEFITS LLC 601 W MAIN STE 810 SPOKANE, WA 99201

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
14634	12195	ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION	3

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

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4	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	
5	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	
6	Contracts With Allocated Funds:		
a	State the basis of premium rates ▶		
b	Premiums paid to carrier	6b	
c	Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year.....	6c	
d	If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount.	6d	
	Specify nature of costs ▶		
e	Type of contract: (1) <input type="checkbox"/> individual policies (2) <input type="checkbox"/> group deferred annuity		
	(3) <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify) ▶		
f	If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
7	Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)		
a	Type of contract: (1) <input type="checkbox"/> deposit administration (2) <input type="checkbox"/> immediate participation guarantee		
	(3) <input type="checkbox"/> guaranteed investment (4) <input type="checkbox"/> other ▶		
b	Balance at the end of the previous year	7b	
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	
	(2) Dividends and credits	7c(2)	
	(3) Interest credited during the year	7c(3)	
	(4) Transferred from separate account.....	7c(4)	
	(5) Other (specify below)	7c(5)	
	(6) Total additions	7c(6)	0
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	
e	Deductions:		
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier	7e(2)	
	(3) Transferred to separate account.....	7e(3)	
	(4) Other (specify below)	7e(4)	
	(5) Total deductions	7e(5)	0
f	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d)	7f	

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i ☐ Stop loss (large deductible)
j ☐ HMO contract
k ☐ PPO contract
l ☐ Indemnity contract
m ☐ Other (specify) ▶

9 Experience-rated contracts:

a Premiums: (1) Amount received	9a(1)	487802
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid.....	9a(2)	101158
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	9a(3)	
(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3)).....	9a(4)	588960
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid.....	9b(1)	
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	9b(2)	
(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2)).....	9b(3)	
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c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --		
(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)	
(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)	
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(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)	
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies.....	9c(1)(F)	
(G) Other retention charges	9c(1)(G)	
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(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> credited.).....	9c(2)	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement	9d(1)	
(2) Claim reserves	9d(2)	
(3) Other reserves.....	9d(3)	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).)	9e	

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier	10a	
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount	10b	

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A?..... ☒ Yes ☐ No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

CARRIER UNABLE TO BREAKOUT RETIREE

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1 Coverage Information:

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(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
01-0278678	62235	917826	1811	01/01/2023	12/31/2023

2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

(a) Total amount of commissions paid 47990	(b) Total amount of fees paid 39969
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3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid	
MERCER HEALTH & BENEFITS LLC	601 W MAIN STE 810 SPOKANE, WA 99201

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
47990	39969	ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION	3

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(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
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(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

4 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	
5 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:**a** State the basis of premium rates ▶

b Premiums paid to carrier	6b	
c Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year.....	6c	
d If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount. Specify nature of costs ▶	6d	

e Type of contract: (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity
(3) ☐ other (specify) ▶

f If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶ ☐**7** Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)

a Type of contract: (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee
(3) ☐ guaranteed investment (4) ☐ other ▶

b Balance at the end of the previous year	7b	
c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	
(2) Dividends and credits	7c(2)	
(3) Interest credited during the year	7c(3)	
(4) Transferred from separate account.....	7c(4)	
(5) Other (specify below)	7c(5)	
(6) Total additions	7c(6)	0
d Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	
e Deductions:		
(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	
(2) Administration charge made by carrier	7e(2)	
(3) Transferred to separate account.....	7e(3)	
(4) Other (specify below)	7e(4)	
(5) Total deductions	7e(5)	0
f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d)	7f	

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organizations(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

- a** ☐ Health (other than dental or vision)
b ☐ Dental
c ☐ Vision
d ☒ Life insurance
e ☐ Temporary disability (accident and sickness)
f ☐ Long-term disability
g ☐ Supplemental unemployment
h ☐ Prescription drug
i ☐ Stop loss (large deductible)
j ☐ HMO contract
k ☐ PPO contract
l ☐ Indemnity contract
m ☒ Other (specify) ▶ **FLEX ADD, FLEX LIFE**

9 Experience-rated contracts:

a Premiums: (1) Amount received	9a(1)	1599647
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid.....	9a(2)	153056
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	9a(3)	
(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3)).....	9a(4)	1752703
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid.....	9b(1)	
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	9b(2)	
(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2)).....	9b(3)	
(4) Claims charged	9b(4)	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --		
(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)	
(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)	
(C) Other specific acquisition costs	9c(1)(C)	
(D) Other expenses	9c(1)(D)	
(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)	
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies.....	9c(1)(F)	
(G) Other retention charges	9c(1)(G)	
(H) Total retention	9c(1)(H)	
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> credited.).....	9c(2)	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement	9d(1)	
(2) Claim reserves	9d(2)	
(3) Other reserves.....	9d(3)	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).)	9e	

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier	10a	
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount	10b	

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A?..... ☒ Yes ☐ No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

CARRIER UNABLE TO BREAKOUT RETIREE

<div>SCHEDULE C</div> <div>(Form 5500)</div> <div>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</div> <div>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</div> <div>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div>	<div>Service Provider Information</div> <div>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</div> <div>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div>	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2023
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection.

For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan AVISTA CORPORATION RETIREE BENEFITS PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	525
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 AVISTA CORPORATION	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 91-1153956	

Part I	Service Provider Information (see instructions)
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You must complete this Part, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information required for **each person** who received, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of monetary value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or the person's position with the plan during the plan year. If a person received **only** eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures, you are required to answer line 1 but are not required to include that person when completing the remainder of this Part.

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

- a Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions).. ☒ Yes ☐ No
- b If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation
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2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation. Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

PREMERA BLUE CROSS

91-0316310

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
50 12	N/A	230818	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

TOWERS WATSON

53-0181291

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
11 50	N/A	128030	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

SYEFARTH SHAW

36-2152202

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
29 50	N/A	60580	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation. Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

MOSS ADAMS LLP

91-0189318

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
10 50	N/A	41100	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

SAGEVIEW ADVISORY GROUP

93-1119724

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
28 51 50	N/A	25475	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

MERCER

13-3109248

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
22 16 50	N/A	20710	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation. Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

WASHINGTON DENTAL SERVICE

91-0621480

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
12 50	N/A	18205	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

US BANK

31-0841368

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
21 50	N/A	15690	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

4 Provide, to the extent possible, the following information for each service provider who failed or refused to provide the information necessary to complete this Schedule.

(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide
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Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)
(complete as many entries as needed)

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

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c Position:	
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Explanation:

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2023
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection

For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan AVISTA CORPORATION RETIREE BENEFITS PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	525
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 AVISTA CORPORATION		
D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 91-1153956		

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement
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1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. **Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.** MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	49473671	58127403
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	49473671	58127403
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g	447000	552000
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	447000	552000
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	49026671	57575403

Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	8296568	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	3458710	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B), (C), and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		11755278
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)		
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	1150189	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B), and (C)	2b(2)(D)		1150189
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		7544707
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		20450174

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	10795736	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)	459061	
(3) Other	2e(3)	105000	
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		11359797
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	249023	
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)	41100	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	25475	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)	15690	
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)	128030	
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)	60831	
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)	21496	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		541645
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		11901442

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		8548732
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

3 Complete lines 3a through 3c if the opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is attached to this Form 5500. Complete line 3d if an opinion is not attached.

a The attached opinion of an independent qualified public accountant for this plan is (see instructions):

(1) ☒ Unmodified (2) ☐ Qualified (3) ☐ Disclaimer (4) ☐ Adverse

b Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate whether the IQPA performed an ERISA section 103(a)(3)(C) audit. Check both boxes (1) and (2) if the audit was performed pursuant to both 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and 29 CFR 2520.103-12(d). Check box (3) if pursuant to neither.

(1) ☒ DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 (2) ☐ DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d) (3) ☐ neither DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 nor DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d).

c Enter the name and EIN of the accountant (or accounting firm) below:

(1) Name: **MOSS ADAMS LLP**

(2) EIN: **91-0189318**

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** as part of Schedule H because:

(1) ☐ This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, DCG or MTIA. (2) ☐ It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l. DCGs do not complete lines 4e, 4f, 4k, 4l, and 5, and DCGs generally complete the rest of Part IV collectively for all plans in the DCG, except as otherwise provided (see instructions).

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		15000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)			
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year _____.

5b If, during this plan year, any assets or liabilities were transferred from this plan to another plan(s), identify the plan(s) to which assets or liabilities were transferred. (See instructions.)

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)

5c Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not determined

If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____.

AVISTA CORPORATION RETIREE BENEFITS PLAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND

ERISA-REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

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Report of Independent Auditors

The Compensation and Organization Committee of
Avista Corporation Retiree Benefits Plan

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit

We have performed audits of the financial statements of Avista Corporation Retiree Benefits Plan, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of Avista Corporation Retiree Benefits Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of and for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audits and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section:

- the amounts and disclosures in the accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with the modified cash basis.
- the information in the accompanying financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Avista Corporation Retiree Benefits Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion on the financial statements.

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 2 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting as described in Note 2 and for determining the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. Management's election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management's responsibility for the financial statements.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Avista Corporation Retiree Benefits Plan's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Management is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all plan amendments, administering the plan, and determining that the plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with the plan's provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Avista Corporation Retiree Benefits Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Avista Corporation Retiree Benefits Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audit did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of the modified cash basis of accounting.

Accordingly, the objective of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is not to express an opinion about whether the financial statements as a whole are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Matters

Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedule of assets (modified cash basis) as of December 31, 2023, and schedule of reportable transactions for the year ended December 31, 2023, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedules (modified cash basis), we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

- the form and content of the supplemental schedules (modified cash basis), other than the information in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, are presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosures under ERISA.
- the information in the supplemental schedules (modified cash basis) related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Moss Adams LLP".

Spokane, Washington
October 15, 2024

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STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
(MODIFIED CASH BASIS)
DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
ASSETS		
INVESTMENTS (at Fair Value)		
Mutual Fund	\$ 58,127,403	\$ 49,473,671
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	<u>\$ 58,127,403</u>	<u>\$ 49,473,671</u>

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

AVISTA CORPORATION RETIREE BENEFITS PLAN
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
(MODIFIED CASH BASIS)
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	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
ADDITIONS TO (DEDUCTIONS FROM) NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS ATTRIBUTED TO:		
INVESTMENT INCOME (LOSS)		
Interest and Dividends	\$ 1,150,189	\$ 942,625
Net Appreciation (Depreciation) in Fair Value of Mutual Funds	<u>7,544,707</u>	<u>(10,982,837)</u>
Total Investment Income (Loss)	8,694,896	(10,040,212)
COMPANY CONTRIBUTIONS	8,296,568	8,042,107
PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS	3,458,710	3,480,864
GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	(459,061)	(451,680)
BENEFIT PAYMENTS	(10,795,736)	(10,669,541)
ADMINISTRATIVE FEES	<u>(541,645)</u>	<u>(432,597)</u>
NET INCREASE (DECREASE)	8,653,732	(10,071,059)
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS:		
Beginning of Year	<u>49,473,671</u>	<u>59,544,730</u>
End of Year	<u><u>\$ 58,127,403</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 49,473,671</u></u>

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

AVISTA CORPORATION RETIREE BENEFITS PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following description of the Avista Corporation Retiree Benefits Plan (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan was established by Avista Corporation (the Company) to provide for the payment of health benefits (medical, dental, prescription drug, and vision services) and life insurance benefits (within the limits of the Plan) for Plan participants and their dependents. All employees retiring from Avista Corporation with at least 15 years of service and attainment of age 55 are eligible to participate. Certain Plan assets are held in a voluntary employees' beneficiary association (VEBA) trust. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and all statutory revisions thereto.

The Plan was amended to comply with the provisions of the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

Contributions

The Company's policy is to fund claims out of current cash reserves as claims are submitted for payment. Participants may contribute specified amounts, determined periodically by the Plan's insurance companies, to extend coverage to eligible dependents. The Company funds the remaining balance of claims processed, insurance premiums, and administrative fees.

The Company funds the Plan in accordance with accounting standards for postretirement benefit obligations to provide for future benefits expected to be paid for retirees and their dependents (Note 6). Company contributions for this component are determined based on recommendations by an independent actuary.

The costs of the Plan are shared by the Company and retirees. In addition to deductibles and copayments, approximately 41% and 39%, respectively, of the total expected payments were expected to be funded by retiree contributions in 2023 and 2022.

Benefits

Benefits for participants and their dependents, if dependent coverage is elected, consist of payment or reimbursement of health benefits (medical, dental, prescription drug, and vision services) long-term disability and life insurance benefits.

Nothing contained in the Plan shall constitute a guarantee by the Company that the assets of the trust fund shall be sufficient to pay any benefit to any person.

Insured Benefits

The Plan offers one insured medical plan that participants can choose. The Plan fully insures the life insurance (basic, supplemental, and dependent), long-term disability and accidental death and dismemberment benefits. The Company purchases annual insurance contracts for these insured benefits. Premiums for the insured benefits are paid to the insurance companies from the general assets of the Company and recorded as insurance premiums in the statements of changes in net assets available for benefits.

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Stop Loss Coverage

The Company maintains a stop-loss insurance policy with a third party capping the Company's liability for individual claims at \$275,000. The policy is in the Company's name and all proceeds paid under it are paid directly to the Company, thus the stop-loss insurance policy and any proceeds are not recorded in the Plan's financial statements.

Self-Insured Benefits

All other Plan benefits are self-insured. The claims for self-insured benefits are processed by the Plan's third-party claims processors under administrative services only arrangements. The claims processors pay claims directly to or on behalf of participants and then are reimbursed by the general assets of the Company. Despite the Plan's utilization of third-party claims processors, ultimate responsibility for payments to providers and participants is retained by the Plan.

The Plan also includes a Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) component plan. The HRA is funded solely through Company contributions. The HRA allows eligible participants to be reimbursed tax free for qualified medical expenses subject to a specified ceiling. Amounts remaining at the end of the year can generally be carried over to the next year. The employer is not permitted to refund any part of the balance to the participant; the account cannot be used for anything other than reimbursements for qualified medical expenses; and upon termination participants can retain their earned benefit. There is a potential Plan obligation to pay benefits under the HRA arrangement; however, this has not been recorded in the financial statements as it may never become a Plan obligation. The reimbursements under the HRA arrangement paid out during the year are reported on the statements of changes in net assets available for benefits.

Administration

The Plan is administered by the Benefit Plan Administrative Committee (BPAC) appointed by the Compensation and Organization Committee of the Company's Board of Directors. The BPAC consists of officers and employees of the employer. The BPAC receives assistance from contract administration organizations which review and pay medical, dental, prescription drug, and vision benefit claims.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements of the Plan have been prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting. Under the modified cash basis of accounting, securities transactions are recorded on the trade date at fair value, investment income is recorded when received, contributions are recorded when received, and claims and expenses are recorded when paid.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting requires the Plan administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, benefit obligations and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Changes in these estimates and assumptions are considered reasonably possible and may have a material effect on the financial statements and thus actual results could differ from the amounts reported and disclosed herein.

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Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are valued at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The BPAC determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisers and trustee. See Note 4 for discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Investment income is recorded when received. Net appreciation (depreciation) includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

Payment of Benefits – Modified Cash Basis

Claim payments are recorded when reimbursed to the third-party claims processor by the Company. These payments are recorded as claims paid in the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits.

Premiums paid by either the Company or the VEBA trust are recorded as premium payments in the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits.

Health Reimbursement Arrangement

Not included in the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits are amounts the Plan is contingently obligated to reimburse participants for qualifying medical expenses as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, of \$5,454,935 and \$6,343,848, respectively. Reimbursements under the Plan made for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 totaled \$4,117,529 and \$3,763,970, respectively. Amounts are not funded by the Company until request for reimbursement is made.

Refunds

The Plan utilizes a pharmacy benefit manager (PBM) which periodically makes refunds to the Plan based on the Plan's actual utilization pattern of specific drugs. Refunds are recorded when paid. Prescription refunds of \$764,273 and \$528,170 for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively, were netted against claims paid.

Expenses

Certain administrative functions are performed by the BPAC appointed by the Company's Board of Directors (Compensation and Organization Committee). No such officer or employee receives compensation from the Plan. Substantially all administrative expenses (consisting of actuarial, audit, and trust administration fees) are borne by the Plan.

Subsequent Events

In preparing these financial statements, the Plan evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through October 15, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Reclassification

Certain amounts from the prior year reconciliation of financial statements to Form 5500 footnote have been reclassified in order to conform to the current year presentation.

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NOTE 3 CERTIFICATION OF INVESTMENT INFORMATION

U.S. Bank, N.A., trustee of the Plan, supplied the Plan administrator with a certification as to the completeness and accuracy of all investment information reflected on the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the investment income (loss) reflected on the statements of changes in net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) for the years then ended, and the supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2023.

NOTE 4 FAIR VALUE OF INVESTMENTS

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

Level 1 – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets the Plan can access. Active markets are those in which transactions for the asset or liability occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

Level 2 – Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, such as:

- quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- inputs other than quoted prices observable for the asset or liability;
- inputs derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair market value measurement.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There were no changes in the valuation methodologies used at December 31, 2023 and 2022.

Mutual Funds: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. The mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The funds are required to publish their daily NAV and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

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The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31:

2023				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual Fund	\$ 58,127,403	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 58,127,403
Total Investments at Fair Value	<u>\$ 58,127,403</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 58,127,403</u>
2022				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual Fund	\$ 49,473,671	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 49,473,671
Total Investments at Fair Value	<u>\$ 49,473,671</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 49,473,671</u>

NOTE 5 BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

The Plan "self-funds" certain benefits provided to participants. As of each December 31, there are many self-funded claims incurred on which benefit payments will be made after that date. The liability for claims incurred but not reported (IBNR) of \$552,000 and \$447,000 at December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively, was estimated using Plan provisions, the number of eligible participants, and the actual lag patterns of the Plan.

NOTE 6 POSTRETIREMENT BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

Postretirement benefit obligations represent the actuarial present value of those estimated future benefits attributed to employee service rendered through December 31, 2023. Postretirement benefits include future benefits expected to be paid to or for (1) currently retired or terminated employees and their beneficiaries and dependents, and (2) active employees and their beneficiaries and dependents after retirement from service with the Company. Prior to an active employee's full eligibility date, the postretirement benefit obligation is the portion of the expected postretirement benefit obligation attributed to that employee's service with the Company rendered to the valuation date. The actuarial present value of the expected postretirement benefit obligation is determined by an actuary and is the amount resulting from applying actuarial assumptions to historical claims-cost data to estimate future annual incurred claims costs per participant and to adjust such estimates for the time value of money (through discounts for interest) and the probability of payment (by means of decrements such as those for death, disability, withdrawal, or retirement) between the valuation date and the expected date of payment.

For measurement purposes, the health care cost trend rate assumptions are shown below:

<u>Year Ended December 31,</u>	<u>Pre-Age 65</u>	<u>Age 65+</u>
2024	6.50 %	6.50 %
2025	6.25	6.25
2026	6.00	6.00
2027	5.75	5.75
2028	5.50	5.50
2029	5.25	5.25
2030+	5.00	5.00

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These assumptions are used to reflect realistic expectations of near-term medical costs. The health care cost-trend rate assumption has a significant effect on the amounts reported. If the assumed rates increased by one percentage point in each year, the obligation as of December 31, 2023 and 2022 would increase approximately \$8,617,000 and \$7,361,000, respectively.

Average annual claim costs used in the valuation as of December 31, 2023 were as follows:

Age	Retiree	Spouse
Under 65	\$ 14,715	\$ 14,715
65 and Over	9,115	2,456

Average annual claim costs used in the valuation as of December 31, 2022 were as follows:

Age	Retiree	Spouse
Under 65	\$ 15,236	\$ 15,236
65 and Over	8,666	2,369

The following are other significant assumptions used in the valuation as of December 31, 2023 and 2022:

Actuarial Cost Method:	Projected Unit Credit Cost Method
Discount Rate:	5.83% in 2023, 6.10% in 2022
Assumed Rate of Return:	6.70% in 2023, 7.20% in 2022
Mortality Basis:	Separate rates for non-annuitants (Pri-2012 Employees table as of 2012 without collar or amount adjustments), annuitants (Pri-2012 Retiree table as of 2012 without collar or amount adjustments), and surviving spouse annuitants (Pri-2012 Contingent Survivor table as of 2012 without collar or amount adjustments), with generational projection using Scale MP-2021 mortality improvement rates.

Retirement Rates:	Age	Rate
	55	7 %
	56	7
	57	7
	58	15
	59	15
	60	15
	61	15
	62	30
	63	20
	64	30
	65	30
	66	50
	67-69	30
	70	100

The foregoing assumptions are based on the presumption the Plan will continue.

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The components of the Plan's benefit obligations are as follows as of December 31:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Benefit Claims Currently Payable to or for Participants, Beneficiaries, and Dependents	\$ 552,000	\$ 447,000
Postretirement Benefit Obligations:		
Current Retirees	68,706,211	68,183,891
Other Participants Fully Eligible for Benefits	15,088,255	12,351,961
Other Participants Not Yet Fully Eligible for Benefits	31,926,219	28,277,696
Total Postretirement Benefit Obligations	<u>115,720,685</u>	<u>108,813,548</u>
Plan's Total Benefit Obligations	<u>\$ 116,272,685</u>	<u>\$ 109,260,548</u>

The related changes in the Plan's benefit obligations are as follows for the years ended December 31:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Increase (Decrease) in Benefit Claims Currently Payable to or for Participants, Beneficiaries, and Dependents	\$ 105,000	\$ (27,000)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Postretirement Benefit Obligations Attributable to:		
Increase in Benefits Accumulated	2,153,163	4,045,309
Actuarial Gain/Loss (Including Assumption Changes)	5,178,520	(51,862,065)
Increase Due to the Passage of Time	6,435,391	5,264,848
Benefits Paid	<u>(6,859,937)</u>	<u>(6,803,691)</u>
Total	6,907,137	(49,355,599)
Plan's Total Benefit Obligations - Beginning of Year	<u>109,260,548</u>	<u>158,643,147</u>
Plan's Total Benefit Obligations - End of Year	<u>\$ 116,272,685</u>	<u>\$ 109,260,548</u>

The computations of the December 31, 2023 and 2022 actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits were made as of January 1, 2024 and 2023. Had the valuations been performed as of December 31, there would be no material differences.

The postretirement benefit obligations are underfunded. The Company may, in its sole discretion, pay any portion of the benefits provided under the Plan from its general assets or through such other funding vehicle as determined by the Company.

The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 (the Act) for employers sponsoring postretirement health care plans provides prescription drug benefits. The Act provides a prescription drug benefit under Medicare as well as a federal subsidy to sponsors of retiree health care benefit plans providing a benefit that is at least actuarially equivalent to Medicare Part D.1. Under the Act, the Medicare subsidy amount is received directly by the Plan Sponsor and not the related Plan.

Further, the Plan Sponsor is not required to use the subsidy amount to fund postretirement benefits and may use the subsidy for any valid business purpose. The accumulated postretirement benefit obligation as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the changes in the accumulated benefit obligation for the year ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 have been reported before approximately \$3,200,000 and \$3,500,000, respectively, of Medicare subsidy related to benefits attributed to past service.

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NOTE 7 TAX STATUS

The VEBA trust funding certain benefits of the Plan received an exemption letter from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) dated October 23, 1997, stating the trust is tax-exempt under the provisions of Section 501(c)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC).

In addition, the Plan and trust are required to operate in conformity with the IRC to maintain the tax-exempt status of the trust. The Plan administrator believes the Plan is in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC and, therefore, believes the related trust is tax-exempt.

Modified cash basis of accounting requires Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

NOTE 8 PLAN TERMINATION

The Company has the right to amend, in whole or in part, any or all of the provisions of the Plan at any time. No modification or amendment shall divest an employee of a right to which he or she is entitled under the Plan. Additionally, the Company also retains the right to terminate the Plan at any time, although it has no intention to do so. Upon such termination of the Plan, the assets will be used to pay claims and expenses until exhausted. No assets will revert to the Company.

NOTE 9 PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Transactions resulting in Plan assets being transferred to or used by a related party are prohibited by ERISA unless a specific exemption applies. U.S. Bank is considered a party-in-interest as defined by ERISA as a result of investing Plan assets in their funds. However, such transactions are exempt under Section 408(b)(8) and are not prohibited by ERISA.

NOTE 10 RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible changes in the values of the investment securities will occur in the near term and such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

The liability for claims payable was estimated based on actual claims adjudicated prior to December 31 but paid after December 31. The liability for claims IBNR was estimated using Plan provisions, the number of eligible participants, and the actual lag patterns of the Plan. Due to uncertainties inherent in the estimations and assumptions process, it is at least reasonably possible changes in these estimates and assumptions in the near term would be material to the financial statements.

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NOTE 11 RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the Plan's financial statements to Form 5500 as of December 31:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Net Assets Available for Benefits per the Financial Statements	\$ 58,127,403	\$ 49,473,671
Claims Incurred but not Reported	(552,000)	(447,000)
Net Assets Available for Benefits per Form 5500	<u>\$ 57,575,403</u>	<u>\$ 49,026,671</u>

The following is a reconciliation of net increase (decrease) in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to Form 5500 for the years ended December 31:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) per the Financial Statements	\$ 8,653,732	\$ (10,071,059)
Claims Incurred but not Reported at End of Year	(552,000)	(447,000)
Claims Incurred but not Reported at End of Prior Year	447,000	474,000
Net Increase (Decrease) per Form 5500	<u>\$ 8,548,732</u>	<u>\$ (10,044,059)</u>

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SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i—SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	Description of Investment	Cost	Current Value
	<u>Mutual Fund</u>			
	Vanguard Balanced Index Fund CL	Registered Investment Company	\$ 42,205,854	\$ 58,127,403
			<u>\$ 42,205,854</u>	<u>\$ 58,127,403</u>

AVISTA CORPORATION RETIREE BENEFITS PLAN
E.I.N. 91-1153956 PLAN NO. 525
SCHEDULE H, LINE 4j—SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

(a) Identity of Party Involved	(b) Description of Asset/ Transaction	(c) Purchase Price	(d) Selling Price	(g) Cost of Asset	(h) Current Value of Asset	(i) Net Gain or (Loss)
Category (iii) - A Series of Transactions in Excess of 5% of Plan Assets						
Vanguard Balanced Index Fund CL	4 Reinvestments	\$ 2,459,190	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,459,190	\$ -
Vanguard Balanced Index Fund CL	8 Sells	-	41,165	31,257	41,165	9,908

Columns (e) and (f) are omitted as they are not applicable.

There were no category (i), (ii), or (iv) transactions during the year ended December 31, 2023

AVISTA CORPORATION RETIREE BENEFITS PLAN
E.I.N. 91-1153956 PLAN NO. 525
SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i—SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
DECEMBER 31, 2023

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	Description of Investment	Cost	Current Value
	<u>Mutual Fund</u>			
	Vanguard Balanced Index Fund CL	Registered Investment Company	\$ 42,205,854	\$ 58,127,403
			<u>\$ 42,205,854</u>	<u>\$ 58,127,403</u>

AVISTA CORPORATION RETIREE BENEFITS PLAN
E.I.N. 91-1153956 PLAN NO. 525
SCHEDULE H, LINE 4j—SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

(a) Identity of Party Involved	(b) Description of Asset/ Transaction	(c) Purchase Price	(d) Selling Price	(g) Cost of Asset	(h) Current Value of Asset	(i) Net Gain or (Loss)
Category (iii) - A Series of Transactions in Excess of 5% of Plan Assets						
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