Form 5500

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

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).

▶ **Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.**

OMB Nos. 1210-0110
1210-0089

2025

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Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 12/31/2025

A This return/report is for:
- [ ] a multiemployer plan
- [ ] a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)
- [X] a single-employer plan
- [ ] a DFE (specify) _____

B This return/report is:
- [ ] the first return/report
- [ ] the final return/report
- [ ] an amended return/report
- [ ] a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)

C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. . . . . ▶ [ ]

D Check box if filing under:
- [X] Form 5558
- [ ] automatic extension
- [ ] the DFVC program
- [ ] special extension (enter description)

E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. . . . . ▶ [ ]

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

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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.	10/13/2026	LAURA VICKERS
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/12/2026	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 [X] Same as Plan Sponsor

3b Administrator's EIN

3c Administrator's telephone number

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

4b EIN

c Plan Name

4d PN

5	Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	**5**	2256
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	**6a(1)**	1169
a(2)	Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	**6a(2)**	1141
b	Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	1126
c	Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	0
d	Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**.	**6d**	2267
e	Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	**6e**	
f	Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**.	**6f**	
g(1)	Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g(1)**	
g(2)	Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g(2)**	
h	Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.	**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 Characteristic Codes in the instructions:

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

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

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)

- (1) [X] Insurance
- (2) [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
- (3) [X] Trust
- (4) [X] General assets of the sponsor

9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)

- (1) [X] Insurance
- (2) [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
- (3) [X] Trust
- (4) [X] General assets of the sponsor

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) [X] **H** (Financial Information)
- (2) [ ] **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- (3) [X] **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached 2
- (4) [X] **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 2025 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2025 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_____

SCHEDULE A (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Insurance Information

This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500.**

▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).

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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.

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	1749	01/01/2025	12/31/2025

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	(b) Total amount of fees paid
18795	7831

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	
18795	7831	ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION	3

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

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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.	6d	

Specify nature of costs ▶

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** [X] 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) ▶

9 Experience-rated contracts:				
a Premiums: (1) Amount received	**9a(1)**	683669		
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	**9a(2)**	57474		
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	**9a(3)**			
(4) Earned (**(1)** + **(2)** - **(3)**)			**9a(4)**	741143
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 [ ] paid in cash, or [ ] 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? [X] Yes [ ] No

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

CARRIER UNABLE TO BREAKOUT RETIREE

SCHEDULE A (Form 5500)

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				(f) From	(g) To
01-0278678	62235	917826	1903	01/01/2025	12/31/2025

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	(b) Total amount of fees paid
50617	21090

3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

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50617	21090	ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION	3

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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) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity

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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)			
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	▶				
	(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** [X] Other (specify) ▶ FLEX ADD, FLEX LIFE

9 Experience-rated contracts:				
a Premiums: (1) Amount received	**9a(1)**	1850826		
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	**9a(2)**	158327		
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	**9a(3)**			
(4) Earned (**(1)** + **(2)** - **(3)**)			**9a(4)**	2009153
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 [ ] paid in cash, or [ ] 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? [X] Yes [ ] No

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

CARRIER UNABLE TO BREAKOUT RETIREE

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500)	Service Provider Information	OMB No. 1210-0110
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500.**	**2025** **This Form is Open to Public Inspection.**

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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)

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).. . . . . [X] 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	209376	Yes [ ] No [X]	Yes [ ] No [ ]		Yes [ ] No [ ]

(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	148509	Yes [ ] No [X]	Yes [ ] No [ ]		Yes [ ] No [ ]

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

BAKER TILLY

31-1413443

(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	63250	Yes [ ] No [X]	Yes [ ] No [ ]		Yes [ ] No [ ]

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)

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	21224	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(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	20691	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(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	19120	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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(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	15649	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

SEYFARTH 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	7938	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(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 ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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
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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:

Explanation:

a Name:

b EIN:

c Position:

d Address:

e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:

b EIN:

c Position:

d Address:

e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:

b EIN:

c Position:

d Address:

e Telephone:

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

2025

This Form is Open to Public Inspection

For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 12/31/2025

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

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)	66573440	75576610
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
1d Employer-related investments:			
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
1e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
1f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	66573440	75576610
Liabilities			
1g Benefit claims payable	1g	446000	507000
1h Operating payables	1h		
1i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
1j Other liabilities	1j		
1k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through1j)	1k	446000	507000
Net Assets			
1l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	66127440	75069610

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)	7274574	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	3434923	
(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)		10709497
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)	1563865	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)**	2b(2)(D)		1563865
(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)		7481219
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		19754581
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	9853640	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)	387076	
(3) Other	2e(3)	61000	
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines **2e(1)** through **(3)**	2e(4)		10301716
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)	225025	
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)	67450	
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	21224	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)	20691	
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)	148509	
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)	7938	
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)	19858	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines **2i(1)** through **(11)**	2i(12)		510695
j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		10812411
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line **2j** from line **2d**	2k		8942170
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) [X] 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) [X] 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: BAKER TILLY US, LLP **(2)** EIN: 30-1413443

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.)	4a		X	
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.)	4b		X	
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.)	4c		X	
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.)	4d		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	4e	X		10000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	4f		X	
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?	4g		X	
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?	4h		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	4i	X		
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.)	4j	X		
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	4k		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	4l		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	4m			
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.	4n			

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? [ ] Yes [X] 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, 2025 AND 2024

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Independent Auditors' Report

The Compensation and Organization Committee of
Avista Corporation Retiree Benefits Plan

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 (the 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, 2025 and 2024, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits—modified cash basis for the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024, 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 (DOL) 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 DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and for the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024, 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 of accounting.

- 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).

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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 audits. 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.

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 and, as a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose. 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 described in Note 2; this includes determining that 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.

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 audits 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 Matter - Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules - modified cash basis, Schedule H, Line 4(i) - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) (modified cash basis) and Schedule H, Line 4(j) - Schedule of Reportable Transactions (modified cash basis) as of or for the year ended December 31, 2025, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the DOL'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 - modified cash basis, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audits 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 - modified cash basis 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 - modified cash basis, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including their form and content, are presented in conformity with the DOL'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 - modified cash basis that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, are presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure 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).



Spokane, Washington
October 15, 2026

AVISTA CORPORATION RETIREE BENEFITS PLAN
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
(MODIFIED CASH BASIS)
DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

	2025	2024
ASSETS		
INVESTMENTS (at Fair Value)		
Mutual Fund	$ 75,576,610	$ 66,573,440
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	$ 75,576,610	$ 66,573,440

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

AVISTA CORPORATION RETIREE BENEFITS PLAN
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
(MODIFIED CASH BASIS)
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025 AND 2024

	2025	2024
ADDITIONS TO (DEDUCTIONS FROM) NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS ATTRIBUTED TO:		
INVESTMENT INCOME		
Interest and Dividends	$ 1,563,865	$ 1,371,901
Net Appreciation in Fair Value of Mutual Funds	7,481,219	7,113,586
Total Investment Income	9,045,084	8,485,487
COMPANY CONTRIBUTIONS	7,274,574	6,779,936
PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS	3,434,923	3,185,238
GROUP INSURANCE PREMIUMS	(387,076)	(367,270)
BENEFIT PAYMENTS	(9,853,640)	(9,142,152)
ADMINISTRATIVE FEES	(510,695)	(495,202)
NET INCREASE	9,003,170	8,446,037
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS:		
Beginning of Year	66,573,440	58,127,403
End of Year	$ 75,576,610	$ 66,573,440

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

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 most recently amended in 2025 to provide full employer contributions for all eligible participants with at least 15 years of service, instead of graded employer contributions for participants with service between 15 and 20 years of service.

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 44% and 42%, respectively, of the total payments were expected to be funded by retiree contributions in 2025 and 2024.

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) 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 benefits (basic, supplemental, and dependent). 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.

Stop Loss Coverage

The Company maintains a stop-loss insurance policy with a third party capping the Company's liability for individual claims at $300,000. 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.

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 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, 2025 and 2024, of $8,177,946 and $5,985,264, respectively. Reimbursements under the Plan made for the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024 totaled $3,626,791 and $3,700,166, respectively. Amounts are not funded by the Company until request for reimbursement is made.

Refunds

The Plan utilizes a pharmacy benefit manager 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 $1,109,077 and $1,120,305 for the years ended December 31, 2025 and 2024, 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, 2026, 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.

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, 2025 and 2024, the investment income (loss) reflected on the statements of changes in net assets available for benefits (modified cash basis) for the years then ended, the supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year), and the supplemental schedule of reportable transactions as of December 31, 2025.

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, 2025 and 2024.

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.

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

	2025			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual Fund	$ 75,576,610	$ -	$ -	$ 75,576,610
Total Investments at Fair Value	$ 75,576,610	$ -	$ -	$ 75,576,610

	2024			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual Fund	$ 66,573,440	$ -	$ -	$ 66,573,440
Total Investments at Fair Value	$ 66,573,440	$ -	$ -	$ 66,573,440

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 $507,000 and $446,000 at December 31, 2025 and 2024, 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, 2025. 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:

Year Ended December 31,	Pre-Age 65	Age 65+
2026	7.00 %	7.00 %
2027	6.75	6.75
2028	6.50	6.50
2029	6.25	6.25
2030	6.00	6.00
2031	5.75	5.75
2032	5.50	5.50
2033	5.25	5.25
2034+	5.00	5.00

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, 2025 and 2024 would increase approximately $8,943,000 and $8,375,000, respectively.

Average annual claim costs used in the valuation as of December 31, 2025 were as follows:

Age	Retiree	Spouse
Under 65	$ 14,179	$ 14,179
65 and Over	10,964	3,629

Average annual claim costs used in the valuation as of December 31, 2024 were as follows:

Age	Retiree	Spouse
Under 65	$ 13,859	$ 13,859
65 and Over	10,098	3,121

The following are other significant assumptions used in the valuation as of December 31, 2025 and 2024:

Actuarial Cost Method:	Projected Unit Credit Cost Method
Discount Rate:	6.11% in 2025, 6.09% in 2024
Assumed Rate of Return:	6.30% in 2025, 6.60% in 2024
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.

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

	2025	2024
Benefit Claims Payable and Claims Incurred but not Reported to or for Participants, Beneficiaries, and Dependents	$ 507,000	$ 446,000
Postretirement Benefit Obligations:		
Current Retirees	65,869,139	65,292,259
Other Participants Fully Eligible for Benefits	16,805,289	14,509,564
Other Participants Not Yet Fully Eligible for Benefits	25,920,544	27,000,786
Total Postretirement Benefit Obligations	108,594,972	106,802,609
Plan's Total Benefit Obligations	$ 109,101,972	$ 107,248,609

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

	2025	2024
Increase (Decrease) in Benefit Claims Currently Payable and Claims Incurred but not Reported to or for Participants, Beneficiaries, and Dependents	$ 61,000	$ (106,000)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Postretirement Benefit Obligations Attributable to:		
Plan Amendments	817,863	-
Increase in Benefits Accumulated	2,055,947	2,475,590
Actuarial Gain (Including Assumption Changes)	(906,769)	(11,660,771)
Increase Due to the Passage of Time	6,314,977	6,555,701
Benefits Paid	(6,489,655)	(6,288,596)
Total	1,792,363	(8,918,076)
Plan's Total Benefit Obligations - Beginning of Year	107,248,609	116,272,685
Plan's Total Benefit Obligations - End of Year	$ 109,101,972	$ 107,248,609

The computations of the December 31, 2025 and 2024 actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits were made as of January 1, 2026 and 2025. 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, 2025 and 2024, and the changes in the accumulated benefit obligation for the year ended December 31, 2025 and 2024 have been reported before approximately $2,500,000 and $2,600,000, respectively, of Medicare subsidy related to benefits attributed to past service.

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 fees paid from Plan assets for trustee services. 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.

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:

	2025	2024
Net Assets Available for Benefits per the Financial Statements	$ 75,576,610	$ 66,573,440
Claims Incurred but not Reported	(507,000)	(446,000)
Net Assets Available for Benefits per Form 5500	$ 75,069,610	$ 66,127,440

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

	2025	2024
Net Increase per the Financial Statements	$ 9,003,170	$ 8,446,037
Claims Incurred but not Reported at End of Year	(507,000)	(446,000)
Claims Incurred but not Reported at End of Prior Year	446,000	552,000
Net Increase per Form 5500	$ 8,942,170	$ 8,552,037

AVISTA CORPORATION RETIREE BENEFITS PLAN
E.I.N. 91-1153956 PLAN NO. 525
SCHEDULE H, LINE 4(i)—SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
(MODIFIED CASH BASIS) DECEMBER 31, 2025

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	Mutual Fund			
	Vanguard Balanced Index Fund CL	Registered Investment Company	$ 49,895,241	$ 75,576,610
			$ 49,895,241	$ 75,576,610

AVISTA CORPORATION RETIREE BENEFITS PLAN
E.I.N. 91-1153956 PLAN NO. 525
SCHEDULE H, LINE 4(j)—SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS (MODIFIED CASH BASIS)
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

(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	$ 4,358,956	$ -	$ -	$ 4,358,956	$ -
Vanguard Balanced Index Fund CL	8 Sells	-	41,915	28,285	41,915	13,630

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, 2025

AVISTA CORPORATION RETIREE BENEFITS PLAN
E.I.N. 91-1153956 PLAN NO. 525
SCHEDULE H, LINE 4(i)—SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
(MODIFIED CASH BASIS) DECEMBER 31, 2025

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	Mutual Fund			
	Vanguard Balanced Index Fund CL	Registered Investment Company	$ 49,895,241	$ 75,576,610
			$ 49,895,241	$ 75,576,610

Form 5500

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

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).

▶ **Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.**

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Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2025 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2025 and ending 12/31/2025

A This return/report is for: ☐ a multiemployer plan ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)
☒ a single-employer plan ☐ a DFE (specify) _____

B This return/report is: ☐ the first return/report ☐ the final return/report
☐ an amended return/report ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)

C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here ▶ ☐

D Check box if filing under: ☒ Form 5558 ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program
☐ special extension (enter description)

E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here ▶ ☐

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	Laura Vickers	10/13/26	LAURA VICKERS
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	John Wilcox	10/12/26	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

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3a Plan administrator's name and address [X] Same as Plan Sponsor

3b Administrator's EIN

3c Administrator's telephone number

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**	2256
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	**6a(1)**	1169
a (2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	**6a(2)**	1141
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	1126
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	0
d Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2), 6b,** and **6c**	**6d**	2267
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits	**6e**	
f Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**	**6f**	
g (1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g(1)**	
(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g(2)**	
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	**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 Characteristic Codes in the instructions:

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristic Codes in the instructions:
4A 4B 4D 4E 4H 4Q

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)
- **(1)** [X] Insurance
- **(2)** [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
- **(3)** [X] Trust
- **(4)** [X] General assets of the sponsor

9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)
- **(1)** [X] Insurance
- **(2)** [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
- **(3)** [X] Trust
- **(4)** [X] General assets of the sponsor

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

AVISTA CORPORATION RETIREE BENEFITS PLAN
E.I.N. 91-1153956 PLAN NO. 525
SCHEDULE H, LINE 4(j)—SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS (MODIFIED CASH BASIS)
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025

(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	$ 4,358,956	$ -	$ -	$ 4,358,956	$ -
Vanguard Balanced Index Fund CL	8 Sells	-	41,915	28,285	41,915	13,630

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, 2025