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Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM N-14
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Pre-Effective Amendment No.1
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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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Approximate Date of Proposed Public Offering: As soon as practicable as after this registration statement becomes effective and upon completion of the Merger described in the enclosed document.

**Calculation of Registration Fee
under the Securities Act of 1933:**

Title of Securities Being Registered	Amount Being Registered ⁽¹⁾	Proposed		Amount of Registration Fee ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾
		Maximum Offering Price per Share of Common Stock	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price ⁽²⁾	
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value per share	15,000,000 shares	N/A	\$170,000,000	\$19,754

(1) The number of shares to be registered represents the maximum number of shares of the registrant's common stock estimated to be issuable pursuant to the Merger Agreement described in the enclosed document. Pursuant to Rule 416, this registration statement also covers additional securities that may be issued as a result of stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions.

(2) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee and calculated pursuant to Rules 457(c) and 457(f)(1) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the proposed maximum aggregate offering price is equal to:

(3) Based on a rate of \$116.20 per \$1,000,000 of the proposed maximum aggregate offering price.

(4) Previously paid.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

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Information contained herein is subject to completion or amendment. A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. This joint proxy statement and prospectus shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of any offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction.

PRELIMINARY SUBJECT TO COMPLETION DATED JUNE 16, 2015

PENNANTPARK FLOATING RATE CAPITAL LTD.

MERGER PROPOSED YOUR VOTE IS VERY IMPORTANT

On April 29, 2015, PennantPark Floating Rate Capital Ltd., or PFLT, and MCG Capital Corporation, or MCG, announced that they have entered into a definitive agreement under which PFLT will acquire MCG in a stock and cash transaction currently valued at approximately \$175 million, or approximately \$4.75 per MCG share at closing. The \$4.75 consideration per MCG share represents a 15.8% premium to MCG's closing stock price of \$4.10 on April 28, 2015 and equals MCG's net asset value per share as of March 31, 2015. The Boards of Directors of both companies have each unanimously approved the transaction. This transaction is a strategic business combination in which a wholly-owned subsidiary of PFLT would merge with and into MCG with MCG continuing as the surviving corporation, followed immediately by the merger of MCG with and into a second wholly-owned subsidiary of PFLT that will continue as the surviving entity and a wholly-owned subsidiary of PFLT. The mergers are collectively referred to in this joint proxy statement and prospectus as the Merger.

If the Merger is completed, holders of MCG common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, or MCG Common Stock, will have a right to receive \$4.521 in shares of PFLT common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, or PFLT Common Stock, for each share of MCG Common Stock, held immediately prior to the Initial Merger, as well as \$0.226 in cash consideration (subject to upward adjustment based on the market price of PFLT Common Stock).

PFLT is incorporated in Maryland and MCG is incorporated in Delaware, and each has elected to be regulated as business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

The market value of the consideration in the form of PFLT Common Stock will fluctuate with the market price of PFLT Common Stock. The following table shows the closing sale prices of PFLT Common Stock and MCG Common Stock as reported on the NASDAQ Global Select Market, or NASDAQ, on April 28, 2015, the last trading day before the public announcement of the Merger, and on [], 2015, the last trading day before the distribution of this joint proxy statement and prospectus.

PFLT	MCG
Common Stock	Common Stock

Closing Price at April 28, 2015	\$	14.15	\$	4.10
Closing Price at [], 2015	\$		\$	

You should obtain current stock price quotations for PFLT Common Stock and MCG Common Stock. PFLT Common Stock trades on NASDAQ under the symbol PFLT. MCG Common Stock trades on NASDAQ under the symbol MCGC.

At a special meeting of PFLT stockholders, PFLT stockholders will be asked to vote on the approval of issuance of PFLT Common Stock pursuant to the Merger. The stock issuance proposal requires the approval of at least a majority of the votes cast by holders of PFLT Common Stock at a meeting at which a quorum is present. **Under the terms of the Merger Agreement, shares of PFLT Common Stock will be issued in the Merger at a price per share greater than or equal to then-current net asset value per share.**

At a special meeting of MCG stockholders, MCG stockholders will be asked to vote on the approval of the Merger and the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of April 28, 2015, by and among PFLT, MCG, PFLT Panama, LLC, PFLT Funding II, LLC and PennantPark Investment Advisers, LLC, described in this joint proxy statement and prospectus. Approval of the Merger and the Merger Agreement requires the approval of at least a majority of the outstanding shares of MCG's outstanding shares entitled to vote on the matter. The Merger is expected to be a taxable event for MCG stockholders.

After careful consideration, the board of directors of PFLT unanimously recommends that its stockholders vote FOR approval of the Merger and the Merger Agreement and FOR approval of the proposal to adjourn the PFLT special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the PFLT special meeting to approve the foregoing proposal.

This joint proxy statement and prospectus concisely describes the special meetings, the Merger, the documents related to the Merger and other related matters that a PFLT common stockholder ought to know before voting on the proposals described herein and should be retained for future reference. Please carefully read this entire document, including Risk Factors beginning on page 27, for a discussion of the risks relating to the Merger. You also can obtain information about PFLT and MCG from documents that each has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. See Where You Can Find More Information for instructions on how to obtain such information.

Sincerely,

Arthur H. Penn

Chairman of the Board of Directors

PennantPark Floating Rate Capital Ltd.

The Securities and Exchange Commission has not approved or disapproved the PFLT Common Stock to be issued under this joint proxy statement and prospectus or determined if this joint proxy statement and prospectus is accurate or adequate. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this joint proxy statement and prospectus is [], 2015 and it is first being mailed or otherwise delivered to PFLT stockholders on or about [], 2015.

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PFLT is incorporated in Maryland and MCG is incorporated in Delaware, and each has elected to be regulated as business development company under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Importantly, following completion of the Merger, you will continue to be an investor in a business development company and benefit from the protections of the Investment Company Act of 1940 associated with business development companies.

The market value of the consideration in the form of PFLT Common Stock will fluctuate with the market price of PFLT Common Stock. The following table shows the closing sale prices of PFLT Common Stock and MCG Common Stock as reported on the NASDAQ Global Select Market, or NASDAQ, on April 28, 2015, the last trading day before the public announcement of the Merger, and on [], 2015, the last trading day before the distribution of this joint proxy statement and prospectus.

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Closing Price at April 28, 2015	\$ 14.15	\$ 4.10
Closing Price at [], 2015	\$	\$

You should obtain current stock price quotations for PFLT Common Stock and MCG Common Stock. PFLT Common Stock trades on NASDAQ under the symbol PFLT. MCG Common Stock trades on NASDAQ under the symbol MCGC.

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At a special meeting of MCG stockholders, MCG stockholders will be asked to vote on the approval of the Merger and the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of April 28, 2015, by and among PFLT, MCG, PFLT Panama, LLC, PFLT Funding II, LLC and PennantPark Investment Advisers, LLC, described in this joint proxy statement and prospectus. Approval of the Merger and the Merger Agreement requires the approval of at least a majority of the outstanding shares of MCG's outstanding shares entitled to vote on the matter. The Merger is expected to be a taxable event for MCG stockholders.

After careful consideration, the board of directors of MCG unanimously recommends that its stockholders vote FOR approval of the Merger and the Merger Agreement and FOR approval of the proposal to adjourn the MCG special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the MCG special meeting to approve the foregoing proposal.

This joint proxy statement and prospectus concisely describes the special meetings, the Merger, the documents related to the Merger and other related matters that an MCG stockholder ought to know before voting on the proposals described herein and should be retained for future reference. Please carefully read this entire document, including Risk Factors beginning on page 27, for a discussion of the risks relating to the Merger. You also can obtain information about PFLT and MCG from documents that each has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. See Where You Can Find More Information for instructions on how to obtain such information.

Sincerely,

Richard Neu

Chairman of the Board of Directors

MCG Capital Corporation

The Securities and Exchange Commission has not approved or disapproved the PFLT Common Stock to be issued under this joint proxy statement and prospectus or determined if this joint proxy statement and prospectus is accurate or adequate. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this joint proxy statement and prospectus is [], 2015 and it is first being mailed or otherwise delivered to MCG stockholders on or about [], 2015.

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PENNANTPARK FLOATING RATE CAPITAL LTD.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 14, 2015

To the Stockholders of PennantPark Floating Rate Capital Ltd.:

Notice is hereby given that PennantPark Floating Rate Capital Ltd., a Maryland corporation, or PFLT, will hold a special meeting of the stockholders of PFLT, or the PFLT special meeting, on August 14, 2015 at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Time, at the offices of Dechert LLP, 1095 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036, for the following purposes:

1. To consider and vote upon a proposal to approve the issuance of the shares of PFLT's common stock, \$0.001 par value per share, or PFLT Common Stock, to be issued pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger, as such agreement may be amended from time to time, or the Merger Agreement, dated as of April 28, 2015, among PFLT, MCG Capital Corporation, or MCG, PFLT Panama, LLC and PFLT Funding II, LLC, each a wholly owned subsidiary of PFLT, and PennantPark Investment Advisers, LLC; and
2. To consider and vote upon a proposal to approve the adjournment of the PFLT special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies, if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the PFLT special meeting to approve the foregoing proposal.

You have the right to receive notice of, and to vote at, the PFLT special meeting if you were a stockholder of record at the close of business on July 13, 2015. **Whether or not you expect to be present in person at the PFLT special meeting, we urge you to promptly fill out, sign and date the enclosed proxy card and return it promptly in the envelope provided or vote by telephone or through the Internet.** Instructions are shown on the proxy card.

You have the option to revoke the proxy at any time prior to the meeting or to vote your shares personally if you attend the meeting.

The PFLT board of directors has unanimously approved the Merger and the Merger Agreement and the issuance of the shares of PFLT Common Stock to be issued pursuant to the Merger Agreement and unanimously recommends that PFLT stockholders vote **FOR** approval of the issuance of the shares of PFLT Common Stock to be issued pursuant to the Merger Agreement and **FOR** approval of the proposal to adjourn the PFLT special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the PFLT special meeting to approve the foregoing proposal. **Under the terms of the Merger Agreement, shares of PFLT Common Stock will be issued in the Merger at a price per share greater than or equal to then-current net asset value per share.**

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Thomas J. Friedmann

Secretary

New York, New York

[], 2015

This is an important meeting. To ensure proper representation at the PFLT special meeting, please complete, sign, date and return the proxy card in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. Even if you vote your shares prior to the PFLT special meeting, you still may attend the PFLT special meeting and vote your shares in person.

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MCG CAPITAL CORPORATION

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS

To the Stockholders of MCG Capital Corporation:

Notice is hereby given that MCG Capital Corporation, a Delaware corporation, or MCG, will hold a special meeting of the stockholders of MCG, or the MCG special meeting, on August 14, 2015 at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Time, at Hyatt Arlington, 1325 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia, 22209, to consider and vote on the following matters:

1. A proposal to approve the merger of PFLT Panama, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of PennantPark Floating Rate Capital Ltd., or PFLT, with and into MCG followed immediately and as a single integrated transaction by the Merger of MCG with and into PFLT Funding II, LLC, or the Merger, and to approve the Agreement and Plan of Merger, as such agreement may be amended from time to time, or the Merger Agreement; and
2. A proposal to approve the adjournment of the MCG special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies, if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the MCG special meeting to approve the foregoing proposal.

You have the right to receive notice of, and to vote at, the MCG special meeting if you were a stockholder of record at the close of business on July 13, 2015. **Whether or not you expect to be present in person at the MCG special meeting, we urge you to promptly fill out, sign and date the enclosed proxy card and return it promptly in the envelope provided or vote by telephone or through the Internet.** Instructions are shown on the proxy card.

You have the option to revoke the proxy at any time prior to the meeting or to vote your shares personally on request if you attend the meeting.

The MCG board of directors has unanimously approved the Merger and the Merger Agreement and unanimously recommends that MCG stockholders vote FOR approval of the Merger and the Merger Agreement and FOR approval of the proposal to adjourn the MCG special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the MCG special meeting to approve the foregoing proposal.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

Tod K. Reichert

Secretary

Arlington, Virginia

[], 2015

This is an important meeting. To ensure proper representation at the MCG special meeting, please complete, sign, date and return the proxy card in the enclosed, self-addressed envelope, vote your shares by telephone or vote via the Internet. Even if you vote your shares prior to the MCG special meeting, you still may attend the MCG special meeting and vote your shares in person.

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ABOUT THIS JOINT PROXY STATEMENT AND PROSPECTUS

This joint proxy statement and prospectus, which forms part of a registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, by PFLT (File No. 333-204272), constitutes a prospectus of PFLT under Section 5 of the Securities Act of 1933, or the Securities Act, with respect to the shares of PFLT Common Stock to be issued to holders of MCG Common Stock as required by the Merger Agreement.

This joint proxy statement and prospectus also constitutes a joint proxy statement under Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or the Exchange Act. It also constitutes a notice of meeting with respect to the special meetings of MCG stockholders, at which MCG stockholders will be asked to vote on a proposal to approve the Merger and the Merger Agreement, and PFLT stockholders, at which PFLT stockholders will be asked to vote on the issuance of PFLT Common Stock pursuant to the Merger. **Under the terms of the Merger Agreement, shares of PFLT Common Stock will be issued in the Merger at a price per share greater than or equal to then-current net asset value per share.**

You should rely only on the information contained in this joint proxy statement and prospectus. No one has been authorized to provide you with information that is different from that contained in this joint proxy statement and prospectus. This joint proxy statement and prospectus is dated [], 2015. You should not assume that the information contained in this joint proxy statement and prospectus is accurate as of any date other than that date. Neither the mailing of this joint proxy statement and prospectus to PFLT stockholders or MCG stockholders nor the issuance of PFLT Common Stock pursuant to the Merger will create any implication to the contrary.

This joint proxy statement and prospectus does not constitute an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to buy, any securities, or the solicitation of a proxy, in any jurisdiction to or from any person to whom it is unlawful to make any such offer or solicitation in such jurisdiction.

Except where the context otherwise indicates, information contained in this joint proxy statement and prospectus regarding PFLT has been provided by PFLT and information contained in this joint proxy statement and prospectus regarding MCG has been provided by MCG.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE SPECIAL MEETINGS AND THE MERGER

The questions and answers below highlight only selected procedural information from this joint proxy statement and prospectus. They do not contain all of the information that may be important to you. You should carefully read this entire document to fully understand the Merger Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby, including the Merger, and the voting procedures for the MCG and PFLT special meetings. Unless otherwise indicated in this joint proxy statement and prospectus or the context otherwise requires, throughout this joint proxy statement and prospectus refers to PennantPark Floating Rate Capital Ltd. and, where applicable, its consolidated subsidiary, PennantPark Floating Rate Funding I, LLC, or Funding I, as PFLT; PFLT's investment adviser, PennantPark Investment Advisers, LLC as the PFLT Investment Adviser; PFLT's administrator, PennantPark Investment Administration, LLC, as PFLT Administrator; MCG Capital Corporation and, where applicable, its consolidated subsidiaries as MCG; PFLT Panama, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of PFLT, as Sub One; PFLT Funding II, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of PFLT, as Sub Two; the merger of Sub One with and into MCG as the Initial Merger; the Merger of MCG with and into Sub Two as the Second Merger; the Initial Merger and Second Merger collectively as the Merger; the effective time of the Merger as the effective time; the Agreement and Plan of Merger, as may be amended from time to time, dated as of April 28, 2015, among PFLT, MCG, Sub One, Sub Two, and for limited purposes, the PFLT Investment Adviser as the Merger Agreement; Code refers to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; RIC refers to a regulated investment company under the Code; 1940 Act refers to the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended; BDC refers to a business development company under the 1940 Act; and Credit Facility refers to PFLT's secured revolving credit facility, as amended.

Q: Why am I receiving these materials?

A: MCG and PFLT are sending these materials to their respective stockholders to help them decide how to vote their shares of MCG Common Stock or PFLT Common Stock at their respective special meetings. At the MCG special meeting, MCG stockholders will be asked to vote on a proposal to approve the Merger and the Merger Agreement or approval to adjourn the MCG special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the MCG special meeting to approve the foregoing proposal. At the PFLT special meeting, PFLT stockholders will be asked to vote on the issuance of PFLT Common Stock pursuant to the Merger or approval to adjourn the PFLT special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the PFLT special meeting to approve the foregoing proposal. Information about these meetings and the Merger is contained in this joint proxy statement and prospectus.

The boards of directors of MCG has unanimously approved the Merger and the Merger Agreement as in the best interests of MCG and their stockholders. Please see the section entitled Reasons for the Merger for an important discussion of the Merger.

This joint proxy statement and prospectus summarizes the information regarding the matters to be voted upon at the special meetings of MCG and PFLT. However, you do not need to attend your special meeting to vote your shares. You may simply sign the enclosed proxy and return it promptly in the envelope provided or vote by telephone or through the Internet. Instructions are shown on the proxy card. **It is very important that you vote your shares at your special meeting. The Merger cannot be completed unless MCG stockholders approve the Merger and the Merger Agreement and PFLT stockholders approve the issuance of PFLT Common Stock pursuant to the Merger.**

If you hold some or all of your shares in a brokerage account, your broker will not be permitted to vote your shares unless you provide them with instructions on how to vote your shares. For this reason, you should provide your broker with instructions on how to vote your shares or arrange to attend your special meeting and vote your shares in person.

Stockholders are urged to vote by telephone or the Internet if their broker has provided them with the opportunity to do so. See your voting instruction form for details. If your broker holds your shares and

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you attend your special meeting in person, please bring a letter from your broker identifying you as the beneficial owner of the shares and authorizing you to vote your shares at the special meeting.

If you are an MCG stockholder and do not provide your broker with instructions or attend the MCG special meeting, it will have the same effect as a vote against approval of the Merger and the Merger Agreement.

Q: When and where is the MCG special meeting?

A: The MCG special meeting will take place on August 14, 2015 at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Time, at Hyatt Arlington, 1325 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia, 22209.

Q: When and where is the PFLT special meeting?

A: The PFLT special meeting will take place on August 14, 2015 at 10:00 a.m., Eastern Time, at the offices of Dechert LLP, 1095 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036.

Q: What is happening at the MCG special meeting?

A: MCG stockholders are being asked to consider and vote on the following matters at their special meeting:

a proposal to approve the Merger and the Merger Agreement; and

a proposal to approve the adjournment of the MCG special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the MCG special meeting to approve the foregoing proposal.

Q: What is happening at the PFLT special meeting?

A: PFLT stockholders are being asked to consider and vote on the following matters at their special meeting:

a proposal to approve the issuance of the shares of PFLT Common Stock to be issued pursuant to the Merger Agreement; and

a proposal to approve the adjournment of the PFLT special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies, if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the PFLT special meeting to approve the foregoing proposal.

Q: How does MCG's investment strategy differ from that of PFLT?

A: Although both PFLT and MCG have substantially the same investment objective (current income and capital gains), PFLT's leveraged portfolio is invested primarily in Floating Rate Loans to U.S. middle market companies, while MCG's portfolio is unlevered and consists primarily of cash and cash equivalents. In addition, while the PFLT Investment Adviser had served as investment adviser to PFLT since its inception and will serve as investment adviser to the combined company following completion of the Merger, MCG has been internally managed by an investment

team whose employment is being terminated by MCG immediately prior to closing of the Merger.

Q: What will happen in the Merger?

A: Subject to the terms and conditions of the Merger Agreement, the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement will be accomplished in two steps. In the first step, Sub One will merge with and into MCG and the separate corporate existence of Sub One will cease. Immediately thereafter and as part of a single integrated transaction, MCG will merge with and into Sub Two and the separate corporate existence of MCG will cease. Sub Two will be the surviving entity and will continue as a wholly owned subsidiary of PFLT. The structure of the Merger was selected in order to optimize the U.S. federal income tax treatment of the Merger and simplify the treatment of the merger with respect to certain potential contractual obligations of the parties.

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Q: What will MCG stockholders receive in the Merger?

A: Holders of MCG Common Stock (including shares of restricted MCG Common Stock which will vest upon the effective time) will have a right to receive \$4.521 in shares of PFLT Common Stock for each share of MCG Common Stock held immediately prior to the Initial Merger, as well as \$0.226 in cash consideration (subject to upward adjustment based on the market price of PFLT Common Stock). Based on the closing price of PFLT Common Stock on June 12, 2015 of \$14.08, holders of MCG Common Stock would have been entitled to receive an additional \$0.070 in cash consideration from PFLT Investment Adviser based on the adjustment mechanism for each share of MCG Common Stock held immediately prior to the Initial Merger.

On April 28, 2015, the last full trading day before the public announcement of the Merger, the closing price of PFLT Common Stock on the NASDAQ Global Select Market, or NASDAQ, was \$14.15. On [], 2015, the last trading day prior to the printing of this joint proxy statement and prospectus, the closing price of shares of PFLT Common Stock on NASDAQ was \$[], and the closing price of MCG Common Stock on NASDAQ was \$[]. Until the Merger is completed, the value of the shares of PFLT Common Stock to be issued in the Merger and the number of shares of PFLT Common Stock to be issued to MCG stockholders will continue to fluctuate.

Q: Who is responsible for paying the expenses relating to completing the Merger, including the preparation of this joint proxy statement and prospectus and the solicitation of proxies?

A: In general, MCG and PFLT will each be responsible for their own expenses incurred in connection with the completion of the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement. However, the costs and expenses of any regulatory filing, including the registration statement (of which this joint proxy statement and prospectus forms a part) will be paid by PFLT and all fees paid to prepare and mail this joint proxy statement and prospectus and the registration statement (of which this joint proxy statement and prospectus forms a part), and to conduct the special meetings of PFLT and MCG, will be borne equally by PFLT and MCG. The estimated transaction expenses of each of PFLT and MCG are \$2.4 million and \$8.3 million, respectively. The PFLT Investment Adviser will indirectly reimburse \$8.3 million of MCG related transaction costs through its payment of the cash consideration to MCG stockholders.

Q: Are MCG stockholders able to exercise dissenters' rights?

A: Yes. MCG stockholders will be entitled to exercise dissenters' rights. Under Section 262 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, or the DGCL, dissenting MCG stockholders are entitled to appraisal rights provided that such MCG stockholders meet the conditions under Section 262 of the DGCL. Dissenting MCG stockholders are entitled to have the fair value of their MCG Common Stock determined by the Delaware Court of Chancery and to receive payment based on that valuation. The ultimate amount dissenting MCG stockholders will receive in an appraisal proceeding may be less than, equal to or more than the amount such dissenting MCG stockholders would have received under the Merger Agreement. The text of the provisions of the DGCL pertaining to dissenters' rights is attached to this joint proxy statement and prospectus as *Annex D*.

Q: Are PFLT stockholders able to exercise dissenters' rights?

A: No. PFLT stockholders will not be entitled to exercise dissenters' rights with respect to any matter to be voted upon at their special meeting. Any PFLT common stockholder may abstain from voting or vote against any of such matters.

Q: When do you expect to complete the Merger?

A: While there can be no assurance as to the exact timing, or that the Merger will be completed at all, PFLT and MCG are working to complete the Merger in the third quarter of 2015. It is currently expected that the Merger will be completed promptly following receipt of the required stockholder approvals at the MCG and PFLT special meetings and satisfaction of the other closing conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement.

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Q: Is the Merger expected to be taxable to MCG stockholders? What will be the effect of the Merger on MCG's capital loss carryforwards?

A: Yes. The Merger is expected to be a taxable event for MCG stockholders. As of March 31, 2015, MCG had approximately \$233.9 million in capital loss carryforwards. PFLT had no capital loss carryforward as of March 31, 2015. Since PFLT had no capital loss carryforward, the Merger will not affect PFLT with respect to capital loss carryforward. MCG's capital loss carryforward is expected to be limited by Section 382 of the Code in the event of the Merger; however, certain transactions that may be undertaken after the Merger may further restrict or eliminate the usage of MCG's capital loss carryforward. See Certain Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences of the Merger for a discussion of the tax implications of the Merger.

Q: Is the Merger expected to be taxable to PFLT stockholders?

A: No. The Merger is not expected to be a taxable event for PFLT stockholders.

Q: What MCG stockholder vote is required to approve the Merger and the Merger Agreement?

A: At least a majority of the outstanding shares of MCG Common Stock outstanding and entitled to vote on the matter is required to approve the Merger and the Merger Agreement. Stockholders who abstain or who fail to return their proxies, and do not instruct the proxy solicitor on how to cast their vote by calling the proxy solicitor or via the Internet pursuant to the instructions shown on the proxy card or vote at the MCG special meeting, will have the same effect as if they voted against the Merger Agreement and the Merger.

Q: What PFLT common stockholder vote is required to approve the issuance of PFLT Common Stock pursuant to the Merger?

A: Approval of the issuance of the shares of PFLT Common Stock to be issued pursuant to the Merger Agreement requires the vote of at least a majority of the votes cast by holders of shares of PFLT Common Stock at a meeting at which a quorum is present.

Q: Does PFLT's board of directors recommend approval of the issuance of PFLT Common Stock pursuant to the Merger and the proposal to adjourn the PFLT special meeting if necessary?

A: Yes. PFLT's board of directors, including its independent directors, unanimously approved the Merger and the Merger Agreement, including the issuance of PFLT Common Stock in connection therewith, and recommends that PFLT stockholders vote FOR approval of the issuance of PFLT Common Stock to be issued pursuant to the Merger Agreement and FOR approval of the proposal to adjourn the PFLT special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the PFLT special meeting to approve the foregoing proposal.

Q: Does MCG's board of directors recommend approval of the Merger and the proposal to adjourn the MCG special meeting if necessary?

A: Yes. MCG's board of directors, including its independent directors, unanimously approved the Merger and the Merger Agreement and recommends that MCG stockholders vote FOR approval of the Merger and the Merger Agreement and FOR approval of the proposal to adjourn the MCG special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the MCG special meeting to approve the proposal.

Q: If I am a PFLT stockholder, how do I vote my shares?

A: You may indicate how you want to vote on your proxy card and then sign and mail your proxy card in the enclosed return envelope as soon as possible so that your shares may be represented at the PFLT special meeting.

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You may also instruct the proxy solicitor on how to cast your vote by calling the proxy solicitor or via the Internet pursuant to the instructions shown on the proxy card. If you are a record stockholder, you may also attend the PFLT special meeting in person instead of submitting a proxy.

Unless your shares are held in a brokerage account, if you sign, date and send your proxy and do not indicate how you want to vote, your proxy will be voted FOR the approval of the issuance of PFLT Common Stock pursuant to the Merger and FOR approval of the proposal to adjourn the PFLT special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the PFLT special meeting to approve the foregoing proposal. If your shares are held in a brokerage account or in street name, please see the answer to the next question.

If you fail to (1) return your proxy card, (2) instruct the proxy solicitor on how to cast your vote by calling the proxy solicitor or via the Internet pursuant to the instructions shown on the proxy card or (3) vote at the PFLT special meeting, or if you abstain, there will be no effect on the vote for either proposal.

Q: If I am an PFLT stockholder and some or all of my shares are held in a brokerage account, or in street name, will my broker vote my shares for me?

A: No. With respect to the issuance of PFLT Common Stock pursuant to the Merger and the adjournment proposal, if you do not provide your broker with instructions on how to vote your street name shares, your broker will not be permitted to vote them.

For this reason, you should provide your broker with instructions on how to vote your shares or arrange to attend the PFLT special meeting and vote your shares in person. With respect to the proposal to approve the issuance of shares of PFLT Common Stock pursuant to the Merger, broker shares for which written authority to vote has not been obtained will not be treated as votes cast on the matter and will have no effect on the vote on such proposal. Stockholders are urged to vote by telephone or the Internet if their broker has provided them with the opportunity to do so. See your voting instruction form for details.

If your broker holds your shares and you attend the PFLT special meeting in person, please bring a letter from your broker identifying you as the beneficial owner of the shares and authorizing you to vote your shares at the PFLT special meeting.

Q: If I am an MCG stockholder, how do I vote my shares?

A: You may indicate how you want to vote on your proxy card and then sign and mail your proxy card in the enclosed return envelope as soon as possible so that your shares may be represented at the MCG special meeting. You may instruct the proxy solicitor on how to cast your vote by calling the proxy solicitor or via the Internet pursuant to the instructions shown on the proxy card. If you are a record stockholder, you may also attend the MCG special meeting in person instead of submitting a proxy.

Unless your shares are held in a brokerage account, if you sign, date and send your proxy and do not indicate how you want to vote, your proxy will be voted FOR the approval of the Merger and the Merger Agreement and FOR approval of the proposal to adjourn the MCG special meeting, if necessary or appropriate, to solicit additional proxies if there are not sufficient votes at the time of the MCG special meeting to approve the proposal. If your shares are held in a brokerage account, or in street name, please see the answer to the next question.

If you fail to (1) return your proxy card, (2) instruct the proxy solicitor on how to cast your vote by calling the proxy solicitor or via the Internet pursuant to the instructions shown on the proxy card or (3) vote at the MCG special

meeting, or if you abstain, it has the effect of a vote AGAINST the proposal to approve the Merger and the Merger Agreement but there will be no effect on the proposal to adjourn the meeting.

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Q: If I am an MCG stockholder and some or all of my shares are held in a brokerage account, or in street name, will my broker vote my shares for me?

A: No. With respect to the Merger and adjournment proposals, if you do not provide your broker with instructions on how to vote your street name shares, your broker will not be permitted to vote them.

For this reason, you should provide your broker with instructions on how to vote your shares or arrange to attend the MCG special meeting and vote your shares in person. If you do not provide your broker with instructions or attend the MCG special meeting, there will be no effect on the vote for either proposal. Stockholders are urged to vote by telephone or the Internet if their broker has provided them with the opportunity to do so. See your voting instruction form for details. If your broker holds your shares and you attend the MCG special meeting in person, please bring a letter from your broker identifying you as the beneficial owner of the shares and authorizing you to vote your shares at the MCG special meeting.

Q: Whom can I contact with any additional questions?

A: If you are a PFLT stockholder, you may call the PFLT proxy solicitor, AST Fund Solutions, at (877) 536-1560, with respect to any additional questions you may have. If you are an MCG stockholder, you may call the MCG proxy solicitor, MacKenzie Partners, Inc., at (212) 929-5500 or toll-free at (800) 322-2885 with respect to any additional questions you may have.

Q: Where can I find more information about PFLT and MCG?

A: You can find more information about PFLT and MCG in the documents described under the caption **Where You Can Find More Information**.

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SUMMARY

This summary highlights some of the information contained elsewhere in this joint proxy statement and prospectus. It is not complete and may not contain all of the information that you may want to consider. PFLT urges you to read carefully this entire document, including Risk Factors beginning on page 26, and the other documents to which PFLT refers you to for a more complete understanding of the Merger. See Where You Can Find More Information. Each item in this summary includes a page reference directing you to a more complete description of that item.

The Parties to the Merger

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PennantPark Investment Advisers, LLC

PFLT Panama, LLC

PFLT Funding II, LLC

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MCG Capital Corporation

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Arlington, VA 22209

(703) 247-7500

Organization and Structure of PFLT

PFLT, a Maryland corporation organized in October 2010, is a closed-end, externally managed, non-diversified investment company that has elected to be treated as a BDC under the 1940 Act. In addition, for federal income tax purposes PFLT has elected to be treated, and intends to qualify annually, as a RIC under the Code.

PFLT is a BDC whose objectives are to generate current income and capital appreciation by investing primarily in Floating Rate Loans and other investments made to U.S. middle-market companies. Floating Rate Loans or variable-rate investments pay interest at variable-rates, which are determined periodically, on the basis of a floating base lending rate such as the London Interbank Offered Rate, or LIBOR, with or without a floor plus a fixed spread.

PFLT believes that Floating Rate Loans to U.S. middle-market companies offer attractive risk adjusted returns due to a limited amount of capital available for such companies and the potential for rising interest rates. PFLT uses the term middle-market to refer to companies with annual revenues between \$50 million and \$1 billion. PFLT's investments are typically rated below investment grade. Securities rated below investment grade are often referred to as leveraged loans or high yield securities or junk bonds and are often higher risk compared to debt instruments that are rated above investment grade and have speculative characteristics. However, when compared to junk bonds and other non-investment grade debt, senior secured Floating Rate Loans typically have more robust capital-preserving qualities, such as historically lower default rates than junk bonds, represent the senior source of capital in a borrower's capital structure and often have certain of the borrower's assets pledged as collateral. PFLT's debt investments may generally range in maturity from three to ten years and are made to U.S. and, to a limited extent, non-U.S. corporations, partnerships and other business entities which operate in various industries and geographical regions.

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Under normal market conditions, PFLT generally expects that at least 80% of the value of its net assets plus any borrowings for investment purposes, or Managed Assets, will be invested in Floating Rate Loans and other investments bearing a variable-rate of interest. PFLT generally expects that senior secured loans, or first lien loans, will represent at least 65% of its overall portfolio. PFLT also generally expects to invest up to 35% of its overall portfolio opportunistically in other types of investments, including second-lien, high yield, mezzanine and distressed debt securities and, to a lesser extent, equity investments. PFLT's investment size may generally range between \$1 million and \$15 million, on average, although it expects that this investment size will vary proportionately with the size of its capital base.

PFLT's investment activity depends on many factors, including the amount of debt and equity capital available to middle-market companies, the level of merger and acquisition activity for such companies, the general economic environment and the competitive environment for the types of investments it makes. PFLT has used, and expects to continue to use, its Credit Facility, proceeds from the rotation of its portfolio and proceeds from public and private offerings of securities to finance its investment objectives.

Funding I, PFLT's wholly owned subsidiary and a special purpose entity, was organized in Delaware as a limited liability company in May 2011 and was formed in order to establish the Credit Facility.

Sub One and Sub Two are Delaware limited liability companies and newly formed wholly owned subsidiaries of PFLT. Sub One and Sub Two were formed in connection with and for the sole purpose of effecting the Merger.

Organization and Structure of MCG

MCG was incorporated in Delaware in 1998. On March 18, 1998, MCG changed its name from MCG, Inc. to MCG Credit Corporation and, on June 14, 2001, to MCG Capital Corporation. MCG is an internally managed, non-diversified, closed-end investment company that has elected to be treated as a BDC under the 1940 Act. In addition, for federal income tax purposes it has elected to be treated, and intends to qualify annually, as a RIC under the Code.

MCG is a solutions-focused commercial finance company that provides capital and advisory services to lower middle-market companies throughout the United States. Generally, MCG's portfolio companies use MCG's capital investment to finance acquisitions, recapitalizations, buyouts, organic growth, working capital and other general corporate purposes.

MCG is an internally managed, non-diversified, closed-end investment company that has elected to be regulated as a BDC under the 1940 Act. As a BDC MCG must meet various regulatory tests, which include investing at least 70% of its total assets in private or thinly traded public U.S.-based companies and limitations on MCG's ability to incur indebtedness unless immediately after such borrowing MCG has an asset coverage for total borrowings of at least 200% (i.e., the amount of debt generally may not exceed 50% of the value of MCG's assets).

In addition, MCG has elected to be treated for federal income tax purposes as a regulated investment company, or RIC, under Subchapter M of the Code. In order to continue to qualify as a RIC for federal income tax purposes and obtain favorable RIC tax treatment, MCG must meet certain requirements, including certain minimum distribution requirements. If the company satisfies these requirements, MCG generally will not have to pay corporate-level taxes on any income it distributes to its stockholders as distributions, allowing MCG to substantially reduce or eliminate its corporate-level tax liability. From time to time, MCG's wholly owned subsidiaries may execute transactions that trigger corporate-level tax liabilities. In such cases, MCG recognizes a tax provision in the period when it becomes more likely than not that the taxable event will occur.

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Pursuant to the terms of the Merger Agreement, in the Merger, Sub One will be merged with and into MCG and, immediately thereafter and as a single integrated transaction, MCG will be merged with and into Sub Two. Sub Two will be the surviving entity of the Merger as a wholly owned subsidiary of PFLT.

Based on the number of shares of PFLT Common Stock issued and outstanding at the closing of the Merger, or the Closing Date, it is expected PFLT stockholders will own approximately 56% of the outstanding PFLT Common Stock and MCG stockholders will own approximately 44% of the outstanding PFLT Common Stock. As a result of the Merger, PFLT will continue its operations as conducted before the Merger.

The Merger Agreement is attached as *Annex A* to this joint proxy statement and prospectus and is incorporated by reference into this joint proxy statement and prospectus. MCG and PFLT encourage their respective stockholders to read the Merger Agreement carefully and in its entirety, as it is the principal legal document governing the Merger.

Consideration

If the Merger is consummated, each share of MCG Common Stock outstanding immediately prior to the effective time (including shares of restricted MCG Common Stock which will vest upon the effective time) will be converted into the right to receive \$4.521 in shares of PFLT Common Stock, subject to the payment of cash instead of fractional shares, and cash in the amount of \$0.226 (subject to upward adjustment based on the market price of PFLT Common Stock). Based on the closing price of PFLT Common Stock on June 12, 2015 of \$14.08, holders of MCG Common Stock would have been entitled to receive an additional \$0.070 in cash consideration from PFLT Investment Adviser based on the adjustment mechanism for each share of MCG Common Stock held immediately prior to the Initial Merger.

Comparative Market Price of Securities

PFLT Common Stock trades on NASDAQ under the symbol PFLT. MCG Common Stock trades on NASDAQ under the symbol MCGC.

The following table presents the closing prices and most recently determined net asset values, or NAV, per share of PFLT Common Stock and MCG Common Stock on the last trading day before public announcement of the Merger and the last trading day prior to mailing of this joint proxy statement and prospectus.

		PFLT Common Stock	MCG Common Stock
Closing Price at April 28, 2015	\$	14.15	\$ 4.10

NAV per Share at March 31, 2015

\$(Mortgage, Sec. 65)

*Possession of Mortgaged
Property*

Under certain circumstances and to the extent permitted by law, if a Completed Default occurs and is continuing, the Mortgage Trustee has the power to take possession of, and to hold, operate and manage, the mortgaged property, or with or without entry, sell the mortgaged property. If the mortgaged property is sold, whether by the Mortgage Trustee or pursuant to judicial proceedings, the principal of the outstanding Mortgage Securities, if not previously due, will become immediately due. (Mortgage, Secs. 66, 67 and 71)

Right to Direct Proceedings

If a Completed Default occurs and is continuing, the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Mortgage Securities then outstanding will have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceedings to be taken for any sale of the mortgaged property, the foreclosure of the Mortgage, or for the appointment of a receiver or any other proceeding under the Mortgage, provided that such direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with the Mortgage. (Mortgage, Sec. 69)

*No Impairment of Right to
Receive Payment*

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Mortgage, the right of any Holder to receive payment of the principal of and interest on such bond, or to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment, shall not be impaired or affected without the consent of such Holder. (Mortgage, Sec. 148)

Notice of Default

No Holder may enforce the lien of the Mortgage unless such Holder shall have given the Mortgage Trustee written notice of a Completed Default and unless the Holders of 25% in principal amount of the Mortgage Securities have requested the Mortgage Trustee in writing to act and have offered the Mortgage Trustee adequate security and indemnity and a reasonable opportunity to act. (Mortgage, Sec. 79)

Remedies Limited by State Law

The laws of the various states in which the property subject to the lien of the Mortgage is located may limit or deny the ability of the Mortgage Trustee and/or the Holders to enforce certain rights and remedies provided in the Mortgage in accordance with their terms.

**Concerning the Mortgage
Trustee**

The Mortgage Trustee has, and is subject to, all the duties and responsibilities specified with respect to an indenture trustee under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended. Subject to such provisions, the Mortgage Trustee is not under any obligation to take any action in respect of any default or otherwise, or toward the execution or enforcement of any of the trusts created by the Mortgage, or to institute, appear in or defend any suit or other proceeding in connection therewith, unless requested in writing so to do by the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the bonds then outstanding. Anything in the Mortgage to the contrary notwithstanding, the Mortgage Trustee is under no obligation or duty to perform any act thereunder (other than the delivery of notices) or to institute or defend any suit in respect hereof, unless properly indemnified to its satisfaction. (Mortgage, Sec. 92)

The Mortgage Trustee may at any time resign and be discharged of the trusts created by the Mortgage by giving written notice to Avista Corp. and thereafter publishing notice thereof, specifying a date when such resignation shall take effect, as provided in the Mortgage, and such resignation shall take effect upon the day specified in such notice unless a successor trustee shall have previously been appointed by the Holders or Avista Corp. and in such event such resignation shall take effect immediately upon the appointment of such successor trustee. The Mortgage Trustee may be removed at any time by the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the bonds then outstanding. (Mortgage, Secs. 100 and 101)

If Avista Corp. appoints a successor trustee and such successor trustee has accepted the appointment, the Mortgage Trustee will be deemed to have resigned as of the date of such successor trustee's acceptance. (Mortgage, Sec. 102)

Evidence of Compliance with Mortgage Provisions

Compliance with provisions of the Mortgage is evidenced by written statements of Avista Corp.'s officers or persons selected or paid by Avista Corp. In certain matters, statements must be made by an independent accountant or engineer. Various certificates and other papers are required to be filed annually and upon the happening of certain events, including an annual certificate with reference to compliance with the terms of the Mortgage and absence of Completed Defaults.

**DESCRIPTION OF THE
NOTES**

Avista Corp. may issue the Notes in one or more series, or in one or more tranches within a series, under the Indenture. The terms of the Notes will include those stated in the Indenture and those made part of the Indenture by the Trust Indenture Act. The following summary is not complete and is subject in all respects to the provisions of, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, the Indenture and the Trust Indenture Act. The Notes, together with all other debt securities outstanding under the Indenture, are hereinafter called, collectively, the Indenture Securities. Avista Corp. has filed the Indenture, as well as a form of officer's certificate to establish a series of Notes, as exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part. Capitalized terms used under this heading which are not otherwise defined in this prospectus have the meanings set forth in the Indenture. Wherever particular provisions of the Indenture or terms defined in the Indenture are referred to, those provisions or definitions are incorporated by reference as part of the statements made in this prospectus and those statements are qualified in their entirety by that reference. References to article and section numbers, unless otherwise indicated, are references to article and section numbers of the Indenture.

The applicable prospectus supplement or prospectus supplements will describe the following terms of the Notes of each series or tranche:

the title of the Notes;

any limit upon the aggregate principal amount of the Notes;

the date or dates on which the principal of the Notes is payable or the method of determination thereof and the right, if any, to extend such date or dates;

(a) the rate or rates at which the Notes will bear interest, if any, or the method by which such rate or rates, if any, will be determined, (b) the date or dates from which any such interest will accrue, (c) the interest payment dates on which any such interest will be payable, (d) the right, if any, of Avista Corp. to defer or extend an interest payment date, (e) the regular record date for any interest payable on any interest payment date and (f) the person or persons to whom interest on the Notes will be payable on any interest payment date, if other than the person or persons in whose names the Notes are registered at the close of business on the regular record date for such interest;

any period or periods within which, or date or dates on which, the price or prices at which and the terms and conditions upon which the Notes may be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the option of Avista Corp.;

(a) the obligation or obligations, if any, of Avista Corp. to redeem or purchase any of the Notes pursuant to any sinking fund or other mandatory redemption provisions or at the option of the Holder, (b) the period or

periods within which, or date or dates on which, the price or prices at which and the terms and conditions upon which the Notes will be redeemed or purchased, in whole or in part, pursuant to such obligation, and (c) applicable exceptions to the requirements of a notice of redemption in the case of mandatory redemption or redemption at the option of the Holder;

the denominations in which any of the Notes will be issuable if other than denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple of \$1,000;

if the Notes are to be issued in global form, the identity of the depositary; and

any other terms of the Notes.

Payment and Paying Agents

Except as may be provided in the applicable prospectus supplement, Avista Corp. will pay interest, if any, on each Note on each interest payment date to the person in whose name such Note is registered (for the purposes of this section of the prospectus, the registered holder of any Indenture Security is herein referred to as a

Holder) as of the close of business on the regular record date relating to such interest payment date; provided, however, that Avista Corp. will pay interest at maturity (whether at stated maturity, upon redemption or otherwise, Maturity) to the person to whom principal is paid. However, if there has been a default in the payment of interest on any Note, such defaulted interest may be payable to the Holder of such Note as of the close of business on a date selected by the Indenture Trustee which is not more than 30 days and not less than 10 days before the date proposed by Avista Corp. for payment of such defaulted interest or in any other lawful manner not inconsistent with the requirements of any securities exchange on which such Note may be listed, if the Indenture Trustee deems such manner of payment practicable. (Indenture, Sec. 307)

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable prospectus supplement, Avista Corp. will pay the principal of and premium, if any, and interest, if any, on the Notes at Maturity upon presentation of the Notes at the corporate trust office of JPMorgan Chase Bank in New York, New York, as paying agent for Avista Corp. Avista Corp. may change the place of payment of the Notes, may appoint one or more additional paying agents (including Avista Corp.) and may remove any paying agent, all at its discretion. (Indenture, Sec. 502)

Registration and Transfer

Unless otherwise specified in the applicable prospectus supplement, Holders may

register the transfer of Notes, and may exchange Notes for other Notes of the same series and tranche, of authorized denominations and having the same terms and aggregate principal amount, at the corporate trust office of JPMorgan Chase Bank in New York, New York, as security registrar for the Notes. Avista Corp. may change the place for registration of transfer and exchange of the Notes, may appoint one or more additional security registrars (including Avista Corp.) and may remove any security registrar, all at its discretion. (Indenture, Sec. 502)

Except as otherwise provided in the applicable prospectus supplement, no service charge will be made for any transfer or exchange of the Notes, but Avista Corp. may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any registration of transfer or exchange of the Notes. Avista Corp. will not be required to execute or to provide for the registration of transfer or the exchange of (a) any Note during a period of 15 days before giving any notice of redemption or (b) any Note selected for redemption in whole or in part, except the unredeemed portion of any Note being redeemed in part. (Indenture, Sec. 305)

Redemption

The applicable prospectus supplement will set forth any terms for the optional or mandatory redemption of Notes. Except as otherwise provided in the applicable prospectus supplement with respect to Notes redeemable at the option of the Holder, Notes will be

redeemable by Avista Corp. only upon notice by mail not less than 30 nor more than 60 days before the date fixed for redemption. If less than all the Notes of a series, or any tranche thereof, are to be redeemed by Avista Corp., the particular Notes to be redeemed will be selected by such method as shall be provided for such series or tranche, or in the absence of any such provision, by such method of random selection as the Security Registrar deems fair and appropriate. (Indenture, Secs. 403 and 404)

Any notice of redemption at the option of Avista Corp. may state that such redemption will be conditional upon receipt by the paying agent or agents, on or before the date fixed for such redemption, of money sufficient to pay the principal of and premium, if any, and interest, if any, on such Notes and that if such money has not been so received, such notice will be of no force or effect and Avista Corp. will not be required to redeem such Notes. (Indenture, Sec. 404)

**Unsecured Obligations;
Structural Subordination**

The Indenture is not a mortgage or other lien on assets of the Company or its subsidiaries. In addition to the Notes, other debt securities may be issued under the Indenture, without any limit on the aggregate principal

amount. Each series of Indenture Securities will be unsecured and will rank pari passu with all other series of Indenture Securities, except as otherwise provided in the Indenture, and with all other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness of Avista Corp. Except as otherwise described in the applicable prospectus supplement, the Indenture does not limit the incurrence or issuance by Avista Corp. of other secured or unsecured debt, whether under the Indenture, under any other indenture that Avista Corp. may enter into in the future or otherwise.

Although its utility operations are conducted directly by Avista Corp., all of the other operations of Avista Corp. are conducted through its subsidiaries. Any right of Avista Corp., as a shareholder, to receive assets of any of its direct or indirect subsidiaries upon the subsidiary's liquidation or reorganization (and the right of the Holders and other creditors of Avista Corp. to participate in those assets) is junior to the claims against such assets of that subsidiary's creditors. As a result, the obligations of Avista Corp. to the Holders and other creditors are effectively subordinated in right of payment to all indebtedness and other liabilities and commitments (including trade payables and lease obligations) of Avista Corp.'s direct and indirect subsidiaries.

Satisfaction And Discharge

Any Indenture Securities, or any portion of the principal amount thereof, will be deemed to have been paid for purposes of the Indenture and, at Avista Corp.'s

election, the entire indebtedness of Avista Corp. in respect thereof will be deemed to have been satisfied and discharged, if there shall have been irrevocably deposited in trust with the Indenture Trustee or any paying agent (other than Avista Corp.):

(a) money in an amount which will be sufficient, or

(b) in the case of a deposit made before the maturity of such Indenture Securities, Eligible Obligations, which do not contain provisions permitting the redemption or other prepayment thereof at the option of the issuer thereof, the principal of and the interest on which when due, without any regard to reinvestment thereof, will provide moneys which, together with the money, if any, deposited with or held by the Indenture Trustee or such Paying Agent, will be sufficient, or

(c) a combination of (a) and (b) which will be sufficient,

to pay when due the principal of and premium, if any, and interest, if any, due and to become due on such Indenture Securities. For this purpose, Eligible Obligations include direct obligations of, or obligations unconditionally guaranteed by, the United States, entitled to the benefit of the full faith and credit thereof and certificates, depositary receipts or other instruments which evidence a direct ownership interest in such obligations or in any specific interest or principal payments due in respect thereof and such

other obligations or instruments as shall be specified in an accompanying prospectus supplement. (Indenture, Sec. 601)

The right of Avista Corp. to cause its entire indebtedness in respect of the Indenture Securities of any series to be deemed to be satisfied and discharged as described above will be subject to the satisfaction of conditions specified in the instrument creating such series.

The Indenture will be deemed to have been satisfied and discharged when no Indenture Securities remain outstanding thereunder and Avista Corp. has paid or caused to be paid all other sums payable by Avista Corp. under the Indenture. (Indenture, Sec. 602)

Events of Default

Any one or more of the following events with respect to a series of Indenture Securities that has occurred and is continuing will constitute an Event of Default with respect to such series of Indenture Securities:

failure to pay interest on any Indenture Security of such series within 60 days after the same becomes due and payable; provided, however, that no such failure shall constitute an Event of Default if Avista Corp. has made a valid extension of the interest payment period with respect to the Indenture Securities of such series if so

provided with respect to such
series;

failure to pay the principal of or premium, if any, on any Indenture Security of such series within 3 business days after its Maturity; provided, however, that no such failure will constitute an Event of Default if Avista Corp. has made a valid extension of the Maturity of the Indenture Securities of such series, if so provided with respect to such series;

failure to perform, or breach of, any covenant or warranty of Avista Corp. contained in the Indenture for 90 days after written notice to Avista Corp. from the Indenture Trustee or to Avista Corp. and the Indenture Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding Indenture Securities of such series as provided in the Indenture unless the Indenture Trustee, or the Indenture Trustee and the Holders of a principal amount of Indenture Securities of such series not less than the principal amount of Indenture Securities the Holders of which gave such notice, as the case may be, agree in writing to an extension of such period before its expiration; provided, however, that the Indenture Trustee, or the Indenture Trustee and the Holders of such principal amount of Indenture Securities of such series, as the case may be, will be deemed to have agreed to an extension of such period if corrective action is initiated by Avista Corp. within such period and is being diligently pursued;

default under any bond, debenture, note or other evidence of indebtedness of Avista Corp. for borrowed money (including Indenture

Securities of other series) or under any mortgage, indenture, or other instrument to evidence any indebtedness of Avista Corp. for borrowed money, which default (1) constitutes a failure to make any payment in excess of \$5,000,000 of the principal of, or interest on, such indebtedness or (2) has resulted in such indebtedness in an amount in excess of \$10,000,000 becoming or being declared due and payable prior to the date it would otherwise have become due and payable, without such payment having been made, such indebtedness having been discharged, or such acceleration having been rescinded or annulled, within a period of 90 days after written notice to Avista Corp. by the Indenture Trustee or to Avista Corp. and the Indenture Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding Securities of such series as provided in the Indenture; or

certain events in bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization of Avista Corp. (Indenture, Sec. 701)

Remedies

Acceleration of Maturity

If an Event of Default applicable to the Indenture Securities of any series occurs and is continuing, then either the Indenture Trustee or the Holders of not less than 33% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Indenture Securities of such series may declare the principal amount (or, if any of the outstanding

Indenture Securities of such series are Discount Securities, such portion of the principal amount thereof as may be specified in the terms thereof) of all of the outstanding Indenture Securities of such series to be due and payable immediately by written notice to Avista Corp. (and to the Indenture Trustee if given by the Holders); provided, however, that if an Event of Default occurs and is continuing with respect to more than one series of Indenture Securities, the Indenture Trustee or the Holders of not less than 33% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Indenture Securities of all such series, considered as one class, may make such declaration of acceleration and not the Holders of any one such series.

At any time after such a declaration of acceleration with respect to the Indenture Securities of any series has been made, but before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained, such declaration and its consequences will, without further act, be deemed to have been rescinded and annulled, if

Avista Corp. has paid or deposited with the Indenture Trustee a sum sufficient to pay

all overdue interest, if any, on all Indenture Securities of such series;

the principal of and premium, if any, on any Indenture Securities of such series which have become due otherwise than by such declaration of acceleration and interest, if any, thereon at the rate or rates

prescribed therefor in such
Indenture Securities;

interest, if any, upon
overdue interest, if any, at
the rate or rates prescribed
therefor in such Indenture
Securities, to the extent that
payment of such interest is
lawful; and

all amounts due to the
Indenture Trustee under the
Indenture in respect of
compensation and
reimbursement of expenses;
and

all Events of Default with
respect to Indenture
Securities of such series,
other than the non-payment
of the principal of the
Indenture Securities of such
series which has become due
solely by such declaration of
acceleration, have been cured
or waived as provided in the
Indenture. (Indenture, Sec.
702)

Right to Direct Proceedings

If an Event of Default with
respect to the Indenture
Securities of any series occurs
and is continuing, the Holders
of a majority in principal
amount of the outstanding
Indenture Securities of such
series will have the right to
direct the time, method and
place of conducting any
proceedings for any remedy
available to the Indenture
Trustee in exercising any trust
or power conferred on the
Indenture Trustee; provided,
however, that if an Event of
Default occurs and is continuing
with respect to more than one
series of Indenture Securities,
the Holders of a majority in
aggregate principal amount of
the outstanding Indenture
Securities of all such series,
considered as one class, will
have the right to make such

direction, and not the Holders of any one of such series; and provided, further, that (a) such direction does not conflict with any rule of law or with the Indenture, and could not involve the Indenture Trustee in personal liability in circumstances where indemnity would not, in the Indenture Trustee's sole discretion, be adequate and (b) the Indenture Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Indenture Trustee which is not inconsistent with such direction. (Indenture, Sec. 712)

Limitation on Right to Institute Proceedings

No Holder will have any right to institute any proceeding, judicial or otherwise, with respect to the Indenture or for the appointment of a receiver or for any other remedy thereunder unless:

such Holder has previously given to the Indenture Trustee written notice of a continuing Event of Default with respect to the Indenture Securities of any one or more series;

the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Indenture Securities of all series in respect of which such Event of Default has occurred, considered as one class, have made written request to the Indenture Trustee to institute proceedings in respect of such Event of Default and have offered the Indenture Trustee reasonable indemnity against costs and liabilities to be incurred in complying with such request; and

for 60 days after receipt of such notice, the Indenture Trustee has failed to institute any such proceeding and no direction inconsistent with such request has been given to the Indenture Trustee during such 60 day period by the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of Indenture Securities then outstanding.

Furthermore, no Holder of any series of Indenture Securities will be entitled to institute any such action if and to the extent that such action would disturb or prejudice the rights of other Holders of such series.
(Indenture, Sec. 707)

No Impairment of Right to Receive Payment

Notwithstanding that the right of a Holder to institute a proceeding with respect to the Indenture is subject to certain conditions precedent, each Holder will have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of and premium, if any, and interest, if any, on such Indenture Security when due and to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment. Such rights may not be impaired or affected without the consent of such Holder.
(Indenture, Sec. 708)

Notice of Default

The Indenture Trustee is required to give the Holders notice of any default under the Indenture to the extent required by the Trust Indenture Act, unless such default shall have been cured or waived, except that no such notice to Holders of a default of the character described in the third bulleted paragraph under - Events of Default may be given until at least 75 days after the occurrence thereof. For purposes of the preceding sentence, the term default means any event which is, or after notice or lapse of time, or both, would become, an Event of Default. The Trust Indenture Act currently permits the Indenture Trustee to withhold notices of default (except for certain payment defaults) if the Indenture Trustee in good faith determines the withholding of such notice to be in the interests of the Holders. (Indenture, Sec. 802)

Consolidation, Merger, Sale of Assets and Other Transactions

Avista Corp. may not consolidate with or merge into any other Person, or convey or otherwise transfer, or lease, all of its properties, as or substantially as an entirety, to any Person, unless:

the Person formed by such consolidation or into which Avista Corp. is merged or the Person which acquires by conveyance or other transfer, or which leases (for a term extending beyond the last

Stated Maturity of the Indenture Securities then outstanding), all of the properties of Avista Corp., as or substantially as an entirety, shall be a Person organized and existing under the laws of the United States, any State or Territory thereof or the District of Columbia or under the laws of Canada or any Province thereof; and

such Person shall expressly assume the due and punctual payment of the principal of and premium, if any, and interest, if any, on all the Indenture Securities then outstanding and the performance and observance of every covenant and condition of the Indenture to be performed or observed by Avista Corp.

In the case of the conveyance or other transfer of all of the properties of Avista Corp., as or substantially as an entirety, to any person as contemplated above, Avista Corp. would be released and discharged from all obligations under the Indenture and on all Indenture Securities then outstanding unless Avista Corp. elects to waive such release and discharge. Upon any such consolidation or merger or any such conveyance or other transfer of properties of Avista Corp., the successor, transferee or lessee would succeed to, and be substituted for, and would be entitled to exercise every power and right of, Avista Corp. under the Indenture. (Indenture, Secs. 1001, 1002 and 1003)

For purposes of the Indenture, the conveyance, transfer or lease by Avista Corp. of all of its facilities (a) for the generation of electric energy, (b) for the transmission of electric energy, (c) for the distribution of electric energy and/or natural gas, in each case

considered alone, (d) all of its facilities described in clauses (a) and (b), considered together, or (e) all of its facilities described in clauses (b) and (c), considered together, will in no event be deemed to constitute a conveyance or other transfer of all the properties of Avista Corp., as or substantially as an entirety, unless, immediately following such conveyance, transfer or lease, Avista Corp. owns no unleased properties in the other such categories of property not so conveyed or otherwise transferred or leased.

The Indenture will not prevent or restrict:

any consolidation or merger after the consummation of which Avista Corp. would be the surviving or resulting entity or

any conveyance or other transfer, or lease, of any part of the properties of Avista Corp. which does not constitute the entirety, or substantially the entirety, thereof. (Indenture, Sec. 1004)

If Avista Corp. conveys or otherwise transfers any part of its properties which does not constitute the entirety, or substantially the entirety, thereof to another Person meeting the requirements set forth in the first paragraph under this heading, and if:

such transferee expressly assumes the due and punctual payment of the principal of and premium, if any, and interest, if any, on all Indenture Securities then outstanding and the performance and observance of every covenant and condition of the Indenture to be performed or observed by Avista Corp. and

there is delivered to the Indenture Trustee an independent expert's certificate (i) describing the property so conveyed or transferred and identifying the same as facilities for the generation, transmission or distribution of electric energy or for the storage, transportation or distribution of natural gas and (ii) stating that the aggregate principal amount of the Indenture Securities then outstanding does not exceed 70% of the fair value of such property,

then Avista Corp. would be released and discharged from all obligations and covenants under the Indenture and on all Indenture Securities then outstanding unless Avista Corp. elects to waive such release and discharge. In such event, the transferee would succeed to, and be substituted for, and would be entitled to exercise every right and power of, Avista Corp. under the Indenture. (Indenture, Sec. 1005)

Modification of Indenture

Modifications Without Consent

Avista Corp. and the Indenture Trustee may enter into one or more supplemental indentures, without the consent of any Holders, for any of the following purposes:

to evidence the succession of another Person to Avista Corp. and the assumption by any such successor of the covenants of Avista Corp. in the Indenture and in the Indenture Securities;

to add one or more covenants of Avista Corp. or other provisions for the benefit of all Holders or for the benefit of the Holders of, or to remain in effect only so long as there shall be outstanding, Indenture Securities of one or more specified series, or one or more Tranches thereof, or to surrender any right or power conferred upon Avista Corp. by the Indenture;

to change or eliminate any provisions of the Indenture or to add any new provisions to the Indenture, provided that if such change, elimination or addition adversely affects the interests of the Holders of the Indenture Securities of any series or Tranche in any material respect, such change, elimination or addition will become effective with respect to such series or Tranche only when no Indenture Security of such series or Tranche remains

outstanding;

to provide collateral security for the Indenture Securities or any series thereof;

to establish the form or terms of the Indenture Securities of any series or Tranche as permitted by the Indenture;

to provide for the authentication and delivery of bearer securities and coupons appertaining thereto representing interest, if any, thereon and for the procedures for the registration, exchange and replacement thereof and for the giving of notice to, and the solicitation of the vote or consent of, the Holders thereof, and for any and all other matters incidental thereto;

to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee with respect to the Indenture Securities of one or more series;

to provide for the procedures required to permit the utilization of a non-certificated system of registration for all, or any series or Tranche of, the Indenture Securities; or

to change any place or places where (a) the principal of and premium, if any, and interest, if any, on all or any series of Indenture Securities, or any Tranche thereof, will be payable, (b) all or any series of

Indenture Securities, or any Tranche thereof, may be surrendered for registration of transfer, (c) all or any series of Indenture Securities, or any Tranche thereof, may be surrendered for exchange and (d) notices and demands to or upon Avista Corp. in respect of all or any series of Indenture Securities, or any Tranche thereof, and the Indenture may be served; or

to cure any ambiguity, to correct or supplement any provision therein which may be defective or inconsistent with any other provision therein, to make any other changes to the provisions thereof or to add any other provisions with respect to matters and questions arising under the Indenture, so long as such other changes or additions do not adversely affect the interests of the Holders of any series or Tranche in any material respect.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, if the Trust Indenture Act is amended after the date of the Original Indenture in such a way as to require changes to the Indenture or the incorporation therein of additional provisions or so as to permit changes to, or the elimination of, provisions which, at the date of the Original Indenture or at any time thereafter, were required by the Trust Indenture Act to be contained in the Indenture, the Indenture will be deemed to have been amended so as to conform to such amendment or to effect such changes or elimination, and Avista Corp. and the Indenture Trustee may, without the consent of any Holders, enter into one or more supplemental indentures to evidence or effect such amendment. (Indenture, Sec.

1101)

*Modifications Requiring
Consent*

Except as provided above, the consent of the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Indenture Securities of all series then outstanding, considered as one class is required for the purpose of adding any provisions to, or changing in any manner, or eliminating any of the provisions of, the Indenture pursuant to one or more supplemental indentures; provided, however, that if less than all of the series of Indenture Securities outstanding are directly affected by a proposed supplemental indenture, then the consent only of the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of outstanding Indenture Securities of all series so directly affected, considered as one class, will be required; and provided, further, that if the Indenture Securities of any series have been issued in more than one Tranche and if the proposed supplemental indenture directly affects the rights of the Holders of one or more, but less than all, of such Tranches, then the consent only of the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Indenture Securities of all Tranches so directly affected, considered as one class, will be required; and provided, further, that no such amendment or modification may:

change the Stated Maturity of the principal of, or any installment of principal of or interest on, any Indenture Security other than pursuant to the terms thereof, or reduce the principal amount

thereof or the rate of interest thereon (or the amount of any installment of interest thereon) or change the method of calculating such rate or reduce any premium payable upon the redemption thereof, or reduce the amount of the principal of any Discount Security that would be due and payable upon a declaration of acceleration of Maturity or change the coin or currency (or other property) in which any Indenture Security or any premium or the interest thereon is payable, or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after the Stated Maturity of any Indenture Security (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the redemption date) without, in any such case, the consent of the Holder of such Indenture Security;

reduce the percentage in principal amount of the outstanding Indenture Securities of any series, or any Tranche thereof, the consent of the Holders of which is required for any such supplemental indenture, or the consent of the Holders of which is required for any waiver of compliance with any provision of the Indenture or of any default thereunder and its consequences;

reduce the requirements for quorum or voting, without, in any such case, the consent of the Holder of each outstanding Indenture Security of such series or Tranche; or

modify certain of the provisions of the Indenture relating to supplemental indentures, waivers of certain covenants and waivers of past defaults with respect to

the Indenture Securities of any series, or any Tranche thereof, without the consent of the Holder of each outstanding Indenture Security of such series or Tranche.

A supplemental indenture which changes or eliminates any covenant or other provision of the Indenture which has expressly been included solely for the benefit of the Holders of, or which is to remain in effect only so long as there shall be outstanding, Indenture Securities of one or more specified series, or one or more Tranches thereof, or modifies the rights of the Holders of such series or Tranche with respect to such covenant or other provision, will be deemed not to affect the rights under the Indenture of the Holders of any other series or Tranche.

If the supplemental indenture or other document establishing any series or Tranche of Indenture Securities so provides, and as specified in the applicable prospectus supplement and/or pricing supplement, the Holders of such Indenture Securities will be deemed to have consented, by virtue of their purchase of such Indenture Securities, to a supplemental indenture containing the additions, changes or eliminations to or from the Indenture which are specified in such supplemental indenture or other document. No Act of such Holders will be required to evidence such consent and such consent may be counted in the determination of whether the Holders of the requested principal amount of Indenture Securities have consented to such supplemental indenture. (Indenture, Sec. 1102)

**Duties of the Indenture
Trustee; Resignation;
Removal**

The Indenture Trustee will have, and will be subject to, all

the duties and responsibilities specified with respect to an indenture trustee under the Trust Indenture Act. Subject to such provisions, the Indenture Trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of the powers vested in it by the Indenture at the request of any Holder, unless such Holder offers it reasonable indemnity against the costs, expenses and liabilities which might be incurred thereby. The Indenture Trustee will not be required to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur personal financial liability in the performance of its duties if the Indenture Trustee reasonably believes that repayment or adequate indemnity is not reasonably assured to it. (Indenture, Secs. 801 and 803)

The Indenture Trustee may resign at any time with respect to the Indenture Securities of one or more series by giving written notice thereof to Avista Corp. or may be removed at any time with respect to the Indenture Securities of one or more series by Act of the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding Indenture Securities of such series delivered to the Indenture Trustee and Avista Corp. No resignation or removal of the Indenture Trustee and no appointment of a successor trustee will become effective until the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee in accordance with the requirements of the Indenture. So long as no Event of Default or event which, after notice or lapse of time, or both, would become an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, if Avista Corp. has delivered to the Indenture Trustee with respect to one or more series a resolution of its Board of Directors appointing a successor trustee with respect to that or those series and such successor has accepted such appointment

in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, the Indenture Trustee with respect to that or those series will be deemed to have resigned and the successor will be deemed to have been appointed as trustee in accordance with the Indenture. (Indenture, Sec. 810)

Evidence of Compliance

Compliance with the Indenture provisions is evidenced by written statements of Avista Corp. officers or persons selected or paid by Avista Corp. In certain cases, Avista Corp. must furnish opinions of counsel and certifications of an engineer, appraiser or other expert (who in some cases must be independent). In addition, the Indenture requires that Avista Corp. give the Indenture Trustee, not less than annually, a brief statement as to Avista Corp.'s compliance with the conditions and covenants under the Indenture.

Governing Law

The Indenture and the Indenture Securities will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, except to the extent that the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, shall be applicable.

**WHERE YOU CAN FIND
MORE INFORMATION**

We are subject to the informational reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Avista Corp. files annual, quarterly and special reports, proxy statements and other documents with the SEC (File No. 1-3701). These documents contain important business and financial information. You may read and copy any materials Avista Corp. files with the SEC at the SEC's public reference room at 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the public reference room. Avista Corp.'s SEC filings are also available to the public from the SEC's website at <http://www.sec.gov>. However, information on this website does not constitute a part of this prospectus.

**Incorporation of Documents
by Reference**

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference the information that we file with the SEC. This allows us to disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents rather than repeating them in full in this prospectus. We are incorporating into this prospectus by reference:

Avista Corp.'s most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC pursuant to the Exchange Act and

all other documents filed by Avista Corp. with the SEC pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the filing of Avista Corp.'s most recent Annual Report and prior to the termination of the offering made by this prospectus,

and all of those documents are deemed to be a part of this prospectus from the date of filing such documents. We refer to the documents incorporated into this prospectus by reference as the Incorporated Documents. Any statement contained in an Incorporated Document may be modified or superseded by a statement in this prospectus (if such Incorporated Document was filed prior to the date of this prospectus) in any prospectus supplement or in any subsequently filed Incorporated Document. The Incorporated Documents as of the date of this prospectus are:

Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002;

Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003; and

Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on April 11, 2003.

You may request any of these filings, at no cost, by contacting us at the address or telephone number provided on page 2 of this prospectus. Avista Corp. maintains an Internet site at <http://www.avistacorp.com> which contains information concerning Avista Corp. and its affiliates. The information contained at Avista Corp.'s Internet site is not incorporated in this prospectus by reference

and you should not consider it a part of this prospectus.

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

Avista Corp. may sell the Debt Securities in any of four ways: (a) directly to a limited number of institutional purchasers or to a single purchaser, (b) through agents, (c) through underwriters or (d) through dealers. The applicable prospectus supplement relating to each series of Debt Securities will set forth the terms of the offering of such Debt Securities, including the name or names of any such agents, underwriters or dealers, the purchase price of such Debt Securities and the net proceeds to Avista Corp. from such sale, any underwriting discounts and other items constituting underwriters' compensation, the initial public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers. Any initial public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers may be changed from time to time.

If Avista Corp. uses underwriters to sell Debt Securities, the underwriters will acquire such Debt Securities for their own account and may resell them in one or more transactions, including negotiated transactions, at a fixed public offering price or at varying prices determined at the time of sale. Unless otherwise set forth in the prospectus supplement relating to a series of Debt Securities, the obligations of any underwriter or underwriters to purchase such Debt Securities will be subject to certain conditions precedent, and such underwriter or underwriters will be obligated to purchase all of such Debt Securities if any are purchased, except that, in certain cases involving a default

by one or more underwriters,
less than all of such Debt
Securities may be purchased.

If an agent of Avista Corp. is
used in any sale of a series of
Debt Securities, any
commissions payable by Avista
Corp. to such agent will be set
forth in the applicable
prospectus supplement relating
to such Debt Securities. Unless
otherwise indicated in the
applicable prospectus
supplement, any such agent will
be acting on a best efforts basis
for the period of its
appointment.

Any underwriters, dealers or
agents participating in the
distribution of the Debt
Securities may be deemed to be
underwriters, and any discounts
or commissions received by
them on the sale or resale of
Debt Securities may be deemed
to be underwriting discounts
and commissions, under the
Securities Act of 1933, as
amended (the Securities Act).
Agents, underwriters and
dealers may be entitled under
agreements entered into with
Avista Corp. to indemnification
by Avista Corp. against certain
liabilities, including liabilities
under the Securities Act.

The agents, underwriters and
dealers and/or certain of their
affiliates may engage in
transactions with and perform
services for Avista Corp. and
certain of its affiliates in the
ordinary course of business.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the Debt Securities and certain other matters of New York law and matters of federal securities law will be passed upon for Avista Corp. by Dewey Ballantine LLP, counsel to Avista Corp. The authorization of the Debt Securities by Avista Corp. and certain other matters of Washington law, as well as the authorization of the Debt Securities by the public utility regulatory commissions under Washington, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and California law, will be passed upon for Avista Corp. by Heller Ehrman White & McAuliffe LLP, counsel for Avista Corp. The validity of the Debt Securities will be passed upon for any underwriters or agents by Sullivan & Cromwell LLP. In giving their opinions Dewey Ballantine LLP and Sullivan & Cromwell LLP may assume the conclusions of Washington, California, Idaho, Montana and Oregon law set forth in the opinion of Heller Ehrman White & McAuliffe LLP.

EXPERTS

The financial statements and the related financial statement schedules incorporated in this Prospectus by reference from Avista Corp.'s most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, independent auditors, as stated in their report, which is incorporated herein by reference, and have been so incorporated in reliance upon the report of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

PART II
Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution (estimated).

The expenses in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities being registered are estimated as follows:

Filing fee	Securities and Exchange Commission	\$	728
Fees of state regulatory authorities			1,000
Legal counsel fees			400,000
Trustees fees			10,000
Auditors fees			25,000
Fees of rating agencies			70,000
Printing expenses			150,000
Miscellaneous expenses			68,272
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Total Estimated Expenses		\$	725,000

Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Article Seventh of the Registrant's Restated Articles of Incorporation (Articles) provides, in part, as follows:

The Corporation shall, to the full extent permitted by applicable law, as from time to time in effect, indemnify any person made a party to, or otherwise involved in, any proceeding by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director of the Corporation against judgments, penalties,

finances, settlements and reasonable expenses actually incurred by him or her in connection with any such proceeding. The Corporation shall pay any reasonable expenses incurred by a director in connection with any such proceeding in advance of the final determination thereof upon receipt from such director of such undertakings for repayment as may be required by applicable law and a written affirmation by such director that he or she has met the standard of conduct necessary for indemnification, but without any prior determination, which would otherwise be required by Washington law, that such standard of conduct has been met. The Corporation may enter into agreements with each director obligating the Corporation to make such indemnification and advances of expenses as are contemplated herein. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Corporation shall not make any indemnification or advance which is prohibited by applicable law. The rights to indemnity and advancement of expenses granted herein shall continue as to any person who has ceased to be a director and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of such a person .

The Registrant has entered into indemnification agreements with each director as contemplated in Article Seventh of the Articles.

Reference is made to Revised Code of Washington 23B.08.510, which sets forth the extent to which indemnification is permitted under the laws of the State of Washington.

Article IX of the Registrant's Bylaws contains an indemnification provision similar to that contained in the Articles and, in addition, provides in part as follows:

Section 2. Liability Insurance. The Corporation shall have the power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is, or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, other enterprise, or employee benefit plan against any liability asserted against him and incurred by him in any such capacity or arising out of his status as such, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify him against such liability under the laws of the State of Washington .

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Insurance is maintained on a regular basis (and not specifically in connection with this offering) against liabilities arising on the part of directors and officers out of their performance in such capacities or arising on the part of the Registrant out of its foregoing indemnification provisions, subject to certain exclusions and to the policy limits.

Item 16. Exhibits.

Reference is made to the Exhibit Index on p. II-5 hereof.

Item 17. Undertakings.

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

- (a) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
 - (1) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act);
 - (2) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a

fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the SEC pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the Calculation of Registration Fee table in the effective registration statement; and

- (3) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) above do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the SEC by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act) that are incorporated by reference in this registration statement.

(b)

That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

- (c) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (d) That, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in this registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof;
- (e) That, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of this registration statement in reliance upon rule 430A and

contained in a form of prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be part of this registration statement as of the time it was declared effective.

- (f) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted against the Registrant by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, such Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such

indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

The Registrant hereby appoints each Agent for Service named in this Registration Statement as its attorney-in-fact to sign in their name and behalf, and to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission any and all amendments, including post-effective amendments, to this Registration Statement, and each director and/or officer of the Registrant whose signature appears below hereby appoints each such Agent for Service as his attorney-in-fact with like authority to sign in his name and behalf, in any and all capacities stated below, and to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, any and all such amendments.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Spokane and State of Washington on the 25th day of June, 2003.

**AVISTA
CORPORATION**

By /s/ MALYN
K.
MALQUIST

**Malyn K.
Malquist**

**Senior Vice
President**

**and Principal
Financial
Officer**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the date indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
/s/ GARY G. ELY <hr/> Gary G. Ely	Principal Executive Officer) June 25, 2003
Chairman of the Board)

President and Principal)	
Executive Officer)	
/s/ MALYN K. MALQUIST)	Principal Financial
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Malyn K. Malquist)	and Accounting Officer
Senior Vice President and)	
Principal Financial Officer)	
/s/ ERIK J. ANDERSON)	Director
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Erik J. Anderson)	
/s/ KRISTIANNE BLAKE)	
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Kristianne Blake)	
/s/ DAVID A. CLACK)	
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David A. Clack)	
/s/ ROY LEWIS EIGUREN)	
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Roy Lewis Eiguren)	
/s/ JOHN F. KELLY)	
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John F. Kelly)	
/s/ JESSIE J. KNIGHT, JR.)	
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Jessie J. Knight, Jr.)	
/s/ LURA J. POWELL)	
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Lura J. Powell, Ph.D.)	
/s/ R. JOHN TAYLOR)	
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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit	Description
1*	Form of Underwriting Agreement for offering of debt securities.
4(a)	Mortgage and Deed of Trust dated as of June 1, 1939, by and among Avista Corporation and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee (filed with registration number 2-4077 B-3).
4(b)	Thirty-first Supplemental Indenture to the Mortgage.
4(c)	Form of Supplemental Indenture to the Mortgage.
4(d)	Indenture, dated as of April 1, 1998, between Avista Corporation, JPMorgan Chase Bank (formerly known as The Chase Manhattan Bank), as Trustee (filed with Registration number 333-82165).
4(e)	Form of Officers Certificate to be used in connection with an underwritten public offering of Debt Securities.
5(a)	Opinion and Consent of Heller Ehrman White & McAuliffe LLP.
5(b)	Opinion and Consent of Dewey Ballantine LLP.

- 23(a) Consent of Heller Ehrman White & McAuliffe LLP (contained in Exhibit 5(a)).
- 23(b) Consent of Dewey Ballantine LLP (contained in Exhibit 5(b)).
- 23(c) Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP.
- 24 Power of Attorney (contained on Page II-3).
- 25(a) Statement of Eligibility under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, of JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Trustee under the Indenture.
- 25(b) Statement of Eligibility under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, of Citibank, N.A., as Trustee under the Mortgage and Deed of Trust.

* To be filed as an Exhibit to a report on Form 8-K, as contemplated by Item 601(b)(1) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act.