FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>CONWAY SUSAN L</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN STATES WATER CO [ AWR ]										eck all appli Directo	cable) or	g Pers	Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner		
(Last) 5271 PAS	(F SATIEMPO	,	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/26/2006  X Officer (give title below) below) Sr. Vice President												респу			
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(City)	(5		(Zip)	n-Deriv	/ative		curit	ios A <i>c</i>	· auir		—	nosed o	of or		eficial	ly Owner	·				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. To Date			2. Trans	. Transaction		2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Ti	ansac	tion	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				5. Amou Securiti Benefic Owned	int of es ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
							ode	v	Amount	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)	Instr. 4)						
Common	Stock			05/26	6/2006	6				М		2,600	)	A	\$23.2	1 3,	735	D			
Common	Stock			05/26	6/2006	6				S		1,000	)	D	\$37.6	9 2,	735	D			
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transactior Code (Instr 8)		of Deri Sec Acq (A) Disp of (I	oosed D) tr. 3, 4	Expir	te Exe ration I th/Day	Date	ble and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	is I	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Employee Stock Option (right to	\$23.21	05/26/2006			М			2,600		(1)	0:	1/01/2011	Comm		2,600	\$0	3,400		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. THe Option became exercisable as to 1,980 of the total number of shares subject to the option on January 1, 2002, an additional 1,980 shares on January 1, 2003 and an additional 2,040 on January 1, 2004.

/s/ Susan L. Conway

05/30/2006

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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