FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| 1. Name an<br><u>FARRC</u>                          |   | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN STATES WATER CO [ AWR ] |  |                               |                              |   |   |  |   |               |  | all app                 | ionship of Reporting<br>all applicable)<br>Director |   | 10% C                         | wner   |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| (Last)<br>3825 CA                                   | Last) (First) (Middle)  |  |  |                               |                              | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/02/2009   |   |  |   |               |  |                         |   |   | X                             | Officer (give title below)  Vice P                 |  | resio   | below)   | (specify   |  |  |
| (Street) PASADE (City)                              |   |  | 91107<br>Zip)  |                               | 4. If                        | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Ap Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Perso Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |   |  |   |               |  |                         |   |   |                               |  | on   |   |  |  |  |  |
|   |   | Tabl   | e I - No   | n-Deriv                       | ative                        | Sec   | uritie  | s Ac   | quired                                  | , Dis         | posed o  | f, o                    | r Ben   | efici                                   | ally (                        | Owne   | ed   |   |  |  |  |  |
| Date  |   |  |  | 2. Transa<br>Date<br>(Month/D |                              | Ex<br>) if a  | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) |  | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |               | 4. Securities Acquired (A)<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 |                         |   |   | and 5) Secur<br>Benef<br>Owne |  | icially<br>d Following   | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) |  | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership                |  |  |
|   |   |  |  |                               |                              | Code  | v   | Amount                                       |   | (A) or<br>(D) | Price  | •                       |   | ported<br>ansaction(s)<br>str. 3 and 4) |                               |  | (Instr. 4)   |   |  |  |  |  |
| Common  | Stock   |  |  | 03/02/                        | /2009                        |   |   |  | A                                       |               | 19.6811  | (1)                     | A   | \$33                                    | .93                           | 2,6  | 90.7906  | D   |  |  |  |  |
| Common  | Stock   |  |  | 06/01/                        | /2009                        | T   |   |  | A                                       |               | 21.2274  | (2)                     | A   | \$31                                    | .69                           | 2,7  | 712.018  | D   |  |  |  |  |
| Common  | Stock   |  | 09/01/2009 A 20.6772 <sup>(3)</sup> A \$32.79 2,732.6952 D |                               |                              |   |   |  |   |               |  |                         |   |   |                               |  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| Common  | Shares  |  |  | 10/30/                        | /2009                        |   |   |  | F                                       |               | 33(4)  | 33 <sup>(4)</sup> D \$3 |   | \$33                                    | .91                           | 2,700.1629   |  | D   |  |  |  |  |
|   |   | Та   |  |                               |                              |   |   |  |   |               | osed of,<br>onvertib                                       |                         |   |   |                               | vned   |  |   |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | e (Month/Day/Year)   | 3A. Deer<br>Execution<br>if any<br>(Month/E                | n Date,                       | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | 5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo of (D) (Instrand 5    | rities<br>iired<br>r<br>osed<br>)<br>r. 3, 4 |   |               | te   | or<br>Nu<br>of          |   |   | Deriv<br>Secu                 | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(<br>(Instr. 4) | F<br>I  | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. DER units credited on 3/2/2009 as dividend at FMV
- 2. DER units credited on 6/1/2009 as dividend at FMV
- 3. DER units credited on 9/1/2009 as dividend at FMV
- $4.\,91\ previously\ reported\ RSU's\ vested\ on\ 10/29/2009\ of\ which\ 32.5323\ were\ withheld\ for\ tax\ withholding\ purposes$

<u>/s/ Gladys Farrow</u> <u>11/02/2009</u>

\*\* 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).
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