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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup><br>DICKSON JOEL A |                  |                | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AMERICAN STATES WATER CO</u> [ AWR ] |                        | tionship of Reporting Pe<br>all applicable)<br>Director                              | 10% Owner                          |
|--|------------------|----------------|---|------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| (Last)<br>1062 FULLER I  | (First) (Middle) |                | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>11/29/2006                      | X                      | Officer (give title<br>below)<br>Sr. Vice Pre  | Other (specify<br>below)<br>sident |
| (Street)<br>CLAREMONT<br>(City)  | CA<br>(State)    | 91711<br>(Zip) | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                            | 6. Indiv<br>Line)<br>X | idual or Joint/Group Fili<br>Form filed by One Re<br>Form filed by More th<br>Person | porting Person                     |

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) |      |   | 4. Securities A<br>Disposed Of ( |               |         | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--|---|------|---|----------------------------------|---------------|---------|---|---|---|
|                                 |  |   | Code | v | Amount                           | (A) or<br>(D) | Price   | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)  |   | (1130.4)  |
| Common Stock                    | 11/27/2006                                 |   | S    |   | 99.0716                          | D             | \$37.53 | 0   | Ι   | custodial<br>account  |
| Common Stock                    | 11/27/2006                                 |   | S    |   | 99.0716                          | D             | \$37.53 | 0   | Ι   | custodial<br>account  |

#### Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | of  |     | 6. Date Exerc<br>Expiration Da<br>(Month/Day/Y | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3<br>and 4) |       | 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(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 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) |  |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|-----|-----|--|---|-------|---|--|--|--|--|
|   |   |  |   | Code                         | v | (A) | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable                            | Expiration<br>Date  | Title | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares              |  |  |  |  |

Explanation of Responses:

### /s/ Joel A. Dickson

11/29/2006

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

\* 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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