## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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		Reporting Person*		2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  AMERICAN STATES WATER CO [ AWR ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
KROPKE ROGER F  (Last) (First) (Middle)  PO BOX 130012						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2005								X Officer (give title below) Vice President 10% Owner  Vice President				·
(Street) BIG BEAR LAKE CA 92315-8952				52	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip)																		
		Tab	le I - Non	-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	s Ac	quired, D	ispos	ed c	of, or Be	neficial	ly Owner	t			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Date			Code (Ins	ion Dis				Benefic Owned	es ally Following	Form (D) o	: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemee Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date,	Code (Ins				6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	Amount Securitie Underlyi		f g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly Own For Dire or I	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expira Date	ition	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Common	\$25.92	01/03/2005			A		2,995		01/03/2006	01/02/2	2015	Common	2,995	\$25.92	2,995	;	D	
Common	\$25.92	01/03/2005			A		2,995		01/03/2007	01/02/2	2015	Common	2,995	\$25.92	5,990		D	
Common	\$25.92	01/03/2005			A		3,085		01/03/2008	01/02/2	2015	Common	3,085	\$25.92	9,075		D	

**Explanation of Responses:** 

/s/ Roger F. Kropke

01/03/2005

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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