FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>CHANG SHENGDER DAVID</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AMERICAN STATES WATER CO</u> [AWR]									eck all ap Dire	plicable) ctor	Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner		
(Last) 22872 CA	(Last) (First) (Middle) 22872 CAMINITO ORO					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/10/2009									X Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY				
(Street) LAGUN HILLS (City)	AGUNA CA 92653 HILLS				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line) K Forr Forr	Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(=:9)				on-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quire	d, Di	sposed o	f, or	Bene	ficiall	y Own	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day					action 2A. Deemed			d Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			or	5. Am Secur Bene Owne	nount of rities ficially ed Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A)	or P	rice	Repo Trans (Instr	action(s) a and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 03/02/2					2009)09			Α		14.0101(1	.)	A :	\$33.93	2,1	20.4741	D		
Common Stock 06/01/2					2009	009			A		15.1111 ⁽²	.1111 ⁽²⁾ A		\$31.69	9 2,135.5852		D		
Common Stock 09/01/2					2009)09			A		14.7193 ⁽³)	A :	\$32.79		150.3045	D		
Common Stock 11/08/20					2009	009			F		17(4)		D \$	34.71	5) 2,1	133.3045	D		
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		med d. Transac Code (In B)		(Instr.	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y		ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instrand 4) Amount or Numb of Title Share		tr. 3	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (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. 46 previously reported RSU's vested on 11/7/2009 of which 16.8729 were withheld to satisfy tax withholding
- 5. Pricing reflects previous day of 11/6/2009 since vesting date of 11/7/2009 was a non business day.

11/10/2009 /s/ Shengder D. Chang

** 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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