

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*
Kruger, Denise L.

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2926 Sleeper Avenue

(Street)
Tustin, CA 92782

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
American States Water Company

3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)
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4. Statement for Month/Day/Year
October 17, 2002

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)

6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

Description **Vice President**

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	A/D	Price			
Common	10/16/02		P		15.0000	A	\$24.650	691.6500	D	
Common	VAR		V		2161.9672	A	\$24.850	5046.1626	I	401K

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)	2. Conver- sion or Exercise Price of Deri- vative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/ Day/ Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr.8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable(DE) and Expiration Date(ED) (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr.5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr.4)	10. Owner- ship Form of Deriv- ative Securities: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr.4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.4)
				Code	V	A	D	DE	ED	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Options	\$							04/30/01	04/30/10	Common	1980.0000	\$20.83		D	
Stock Options	\$							04/30/02	04/30/10	Common	1980.0000	\$20.83		D	
Stock Options	\$							04/30/03	04/30/10	Common	2040.0000	\$20.83		D	
Stock Options	\$							01/01/02	01/01/11	Common	1980.0000	\$23.21		D	
Stock Options	\$							01/01/03	01/01/11	Common	1980.0000	\$23.21		D	
Stock Options	\$							01/01/04	01/01/11	Common	2040.0000	\$23.21		D	
Stock Options	\$							02/03/03	02/03/12	Common	2995.0000	\$23.43		D	
Stock Options	\$							02/03/04	02/03/12	Common	2995.0000	\$23.43		D	
Stock Options	\$							02/03/05	02/03/12	Common	3086.0000	\$23.43		D	

Explanation of Responses:

By: /s/ Denise L. Kruger
** Signature of Reporting Person

10/17/02
Date

* 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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