FORM 4

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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*  HODGES GRANVILLE R JR							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN STATES WATER CO [ AWR ]									k all appl Direct	tor		10% Ov	vner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2712 HARTFORD AVENUE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/28/2008										X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  Vice President					
(Street) FULLERTON CA 92835-3034  (City) (State) (Zip)																6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person					
		Tab	le I - Nor	ı-Deriv	ative	Sec	curitie	s Ac	qui	ired, D	isp	osed c	of, or Be	enefic	cially	Owne	d				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da					ar) l	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			Transaction Disp Code (Instr. 5)			Securities Acquired (A) sposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				es ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								ſ	Code	,	Amount	(A) (D)	or Pr	ice	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)		
common 01/28/						2008				A		882	882 A		\$ <mark>0</mark>	2,242.6965			D		
		Т	able II - I										or Ben			wned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)		of E		Expi	ate Exerciration D nth/Day/	ate		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		De Se (Ir	Price of erivative ecurity astr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	y	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exe	e rcisable		piration ate	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	per						
employee stock option (right to	\$34.11	01/28/2008			A		2,887			(1)	01	/27/2018	common	2,88	37	\$0	2,887		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

 $1. \ The option vests in 3 annual installments of 33\%, 33\% and 34\% of the number of shares subject to the option beginning Jan. 27, 2009$ 

/s/ Granville R. Hodges, Jr. 01/30/2008

\*\* 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).
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