

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SCANLON PATRICK RONALD			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN STATES WATER CO [AWR]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Vice President			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/04/2009			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
175 LILAC LANE			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						
(Street)	BREA	CA	92823						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

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) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/02/2009		A		15.4199 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$33.93	3,677.8261	D	
Common Stock	06/01/2009		A		16.6316 ⁽²⁾	A	\$31.69	3,694.4577	D	
Common Stock	09/01/2009		A		16.2004 ⁽³⁾	A	\$32.79	3,710.6581	D	
Common Stock	12/01/2009		A		16.5923 ⁽⁴⁾	A	\$33.55	3,727.2504	D	
Common Stock	12/03/2009		M		500	A	\$20.83	4,227.2504	D	
Common Stock	12/03/2009		S		500	D	\$33.46	3,727.2504	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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative 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 and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (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. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$20.83	12/03/2009		M			500	04/30/2001 ⁽⁵⁾	04/30/2010	Common Stock	500	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- DER units credited on 3/2/09 as dividend at FMV
- DER units credited on 6/1/09 as dividend at FMV
- DER units credited on 9/1/09 as dividend at FMV
- DER units credited on 12/1/09 as dividend at FMV
- The option became exercisable as to 33% of the total number of shares subject to the option on 4/30/01, 33% on 4/30/02, and 34% on 4/30/03.

/s/ Patrick R. Scanlon 12/04/2009
 ** 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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