\square

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Check this box if no longer subject to
Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5
obligations may continue. See
Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 OMB APPROVAL
OMB Number: 3235-0287
Estimated average burden
hours per response: 0.5

1. Name and Addr SPROWLS	ess of Reporting Pe ROBERT J	rson*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AMERICAN STATES WATER CO</u> [AWR]		tionship of Reporting Per all applicable) Director	rson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1713 N VALLEJO WAY		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/28/2010	X	Officer (give title below) President &	Other (specify below) CEO	
(Street) UPLAND	СА	91784	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Rep Form filed by More that Person	orting Person	
(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. Transa Code (8)		4. Securities A Disposed Of (D			Securities Beneficially	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/01/2009		A		36.0015 ⁽¹⁾	Α	\$33.55	8,226.3265	D	
Common Stock	01/28/2010		F		283.231 ⁽³⁾	D	\$33.55	7,943.0955	D	
Common Stock	01/30/2010		F		414.8913(4)	D	\$33.22	7,527.4352	D	
Common Stock	02/01/2010		A		945.1218(2)	Α	\$ <mark>0</mark>	4,076.909	Ι	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. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	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)	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	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. DER units credited on 12/1/2009 as dividend at FMV

2. Updated 401K employee contributions of company stock

3. 644 previously reported RSU's vested on 1/28/2010 of which 283.2310 were withheld to satisfy tax withholding

4. 952 previously reported RSU's vested on 1/30/2010 of which 414.8913 were withheld to satisfy tax withholding

02/01/2010

** Signature of Reporting Person

/s/ Robert J. Sprowls

n 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.