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# FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>TANNER ROLAND S</u>			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AMERICAN STATES WATER CO</u> [ AWR ]		tionship of Reporting Pers all applicable) Director Officer (give title	son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify
(Last)(First)(Middle)630 E FOOTHILL BLVD		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/02/2009	Α	below) VICE PRESII	below) DENT
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	idual or Joint/Group Filing	) (Check Applicable
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### 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)					Securities Beneficially	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)		(1130.4)
Common Stock	01/28/2009		F		129 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$33.85	2,358.4062	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	ersion ercise of ative rity		Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed		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	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. 299 previously reported RSU's vested on 1/28/09 of which 129 were withheld to satisfy tax withholding

## /s/ Roland S. Tanner

02/02/2009

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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