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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Instruction 1(b).	

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AMERICAN STATES WATER CO</u> [AWR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
King Gary F (Last) (First) (Middle) 1522 THE STRAND (Street) HERMOSA CA 90254				X	Director	10% Owner		
,					Officer (give title	Other (specify		
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/22/2008		below)	below)		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Fil	ing (Check Applicable		
King Gary F (Last) 1522 THE STRA (Street)	CA	90254		X	Form filed by One Reporting Person			
		30234			Form filed by More th Person	nan One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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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)		Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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)		(1150.4)
Common	02/08/2008		A		31.0452 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ 0	2,218.1218	D	
Common	05/12/2008		A		28.9414 ⁽²⁾	A	\$0	2,247.0632	D	
Common	05/20/2008		A		1,168.5656 ⁽³⁾	A	\$34.23	3,415.6288	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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)		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	vative rities ired r osed) . 3, 4	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date Amount of		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	ly 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 2/8/08 as dividend at FMV

2. DER units credited on 5/12/08 as dividend at FMV

3. RSU's awarded 5/20/08

<u>/s/ Gary F. King</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

05/22/2008

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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