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## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre		erson*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AMERICAN STATES WATER CO</u> [ AWR ] _		ationship of Reporting Pe < all applicable) Director Officer (give title	rson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify	
(1.100)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/12/2008		below) CEO and Pre	below) esident	
(Street) SANTA BARBARA CA 93108 (City) (State) (Zip)		93108 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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

Table 1 - Northernauve Securities Acquired, Disposed 61, 61 Definitially 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)					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 Stock	08/12/2008		S		100	D	\$40.16	8,347.6065	D		
Common Stock	08/12/2008		S		700	D	\$40.17	7,647.6065	D		
Common Stock	08/12/2008		S		200	D	\$40.18	7,447.6065	D		
Common Stock	08/12/2008		S		700	D	\$40.19	6,747.6065	D		
Common Stock	08/12/2008		S		500	D	\$40.2	6,247.6065	D		
Common Stock	08/12/2008		S		100	D	\$40.25	6,147.6065	D		
Common Stock	08/12/2008		S		600	D	\$40.26	5,547.6065	D		
Common Stock	08/12/2008		S		700	D	\$40.27	4,847.6065	D		
Common Stock	08/12/2008		S		200	D	\$40.28	4,647.6065	D		
Common Stock	08/12/2008		S		600	D	\$40.34	4,047.6065	D		
Common Stock	08/12/2008		S		500	D	\$40.35	3,547.6065	D		
Common Stock	08/12/2008		S		100	D	\$40.42	3,447.6065	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)	Execution Date,	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of		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	Amount or Number of Shares					

Explanation of Responses:

<u>/s/ Floyd E. Wicks</u>

08/13/2008

\*\* 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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