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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* $\underline{TANG EVA G}$			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AMERICAN STATES WATER CO</u> [ AWR ]		tionship of Reporting Pers all applicable) Director	10% Owner	
				Х	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)	
(Last)	(First) (Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)		Sr. Vice President	,	
1544 MANOR GATE DRIVE			12/05/2012		SI. VICE President	a CFU	
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(Street) HACIENDA			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	idual or Joint/Group Filing	(Check Applicable	
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(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)			4. Securities A Disposed Of (I			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)		(11150. 4)		
Common Shares	09/01/2012		A		43.3112(1)	A	\$43.58	10,085.7989	D			
Common Shares	12/01/2012		A		41.8215(2)	A	\$45.5	10,127.6204	D			
Common Shares	12/05/2012		М		3,182	A	\$33.73	13,309.6204	D			
Common Shares	12/05/2012		S		3,182	D	\$46	10,127.6204	D			
Common Shares	12/06/2012		М		1,138	A	\$33.73	11,265.6204	D			
Common Shares	12/06/2012		S		1,138	D	\$46	10,127.6204	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. Transa Code ( 8)		of Deri Sec Acq (A) ( Disp of (I	osed )) tr. 3, 4	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/N	ate	and 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				
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$33.73	12/05/2012		М			3,182	01/29/2007	01/29/2016	Common Shares	3,182	\$0	0	D	
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$33.73	12/06/2012		М			1,138	01/29/2007	01/29/2016	Common Shares	1,138	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. DER units credited on 9/1/2012 as dividend at FMV

2. DER units credited on 12 / 1 / 2012 as dividend at  $\ensuremath{\mathrm{FMV}}$ 



\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

12/07/2012

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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