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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] SWITZER BRYAN K | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AMERICAN STATES WATER CO</u> [AWR] | | tionship of Reporting Pers all applicable) Director | 10% Owner | |
|---|--------------------|----------------|---|------------------------|--|---------------------------------|--|
| (Last) 630 E FOOTHIL | (First) .L BLVD | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/29/2013 | X | Officer (give title below) Vice Presiden | Other (specify below) ent | |
| (Street) SAN DIMAS (City) | CA (State) | 91773 (Zip) | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Indiv Line) X | idual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Repo Form filed by More than Person | orting Person | |

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) | | | 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 | | |
|---------------------------------|--|---|------|---|-----------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|---|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Shares | 09/01/2012 | | A | | 34.4547 ⁽¹⁾ | Α | \$43.58 | 7,618.774 | D | | | |
| Common Shares | 12/01/2012 | | A | | 33.2696 ⁽²⁾ | Α | \$45.5 | 7,652.0436 | D | | | |
| Common Shares | 01/29/2013 | | A | | 800 ⁽³⁾ | Α | \$ <mark>0</mark> | 8,452.0436 | D | | | |
| Common Shares | 01/29/2013 | | A | | 37.657 | D | \$ <mark>0</mark> | 4,300.07 | 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 Deriv Secur Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr | 5. Number of Expiration Date Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | ate | 7. Title Amour Securi Underl Deriva Securi and 4) | nt of ties ying | 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:

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

2. DER units credited on 12/1/2012 as dividend at FMV

3. RSU's granted on 1/29/2013

/s/ Bryan Keith Switzer

** Signature of Reporting Person

01/31/2013 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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