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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 Addres SWITZER B	is of Reporting Perso RYAN K	n*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AMERICAN STATES WATER CO</u> [ AWR ]		tionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer all applicable) Director 10% Owner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 630 E FOOTHILL BLVD		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2012	Х	Officer (give title below) Vice Presider	Other (specify below) It	
(Street) SAN DIMAS CA 91773 (City) (State) (Zip)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing ( Form filed by One Repor Form filed by More than ( Person	ting Person	

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	3.         4. Securities Acquired (A) or         5. Amount of         6. Ownership         7. Nature									
	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr.		Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)
Common Shares	02/01/2012		F		240.3915(1)	D	\$36.17	5,443.1414	D	
Common Shares	02/01/2012		A		382.574	Α	\$ <mark>0</mark>	5,443.1414	I	401K

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. Number of Derivative Securities (A) or of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ate	Amount of		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. 574 previously reported RSU's of which 240.3915 were withheld to satisfy tax withholding

/s/ Keith B. Switzer

02/02/2012

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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