FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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6. Ownership

Form: Direct

7. Nature

of Indirect

	Check this box if no longer subject to
١	Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5
J	obligations may continue. See
	Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* AMERICAN STATES WATER CO [AWR] **SWITZER BRYAN K** Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) (Last) (First) (Middle) 03/04/2013 Vice President 630 E FOOTHILL BLVD 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable (Street) Line) **SAN DIMAS** CA 91773 Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(Month/Day/Year)	if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)		Disposed Of (E	, (msu. s	, 4 and 3)	Beneficially Owned Following Reported	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
		Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)	
03/01/2013		A		24.6277 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$53.71	7,874.9265	D		
03/04/2013		F		270.8676(2)	D	\$53.71	7,604.0589	D		

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Transaction

	(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		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:

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

Common Shares Common Shares

- 1. DER units credited on 3/1/2013 as dividend at FMV
- 2. 711 previously reported RSU's of which 270.8676 were withheld to satisfy tax withholding

03/06/2013 /s/ Bryan K. Switzer

5. Amount of

Securities

** 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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

2. Transaction Date

2A. Deemed

Execution Date.

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