FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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### 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

10b5-1(c). See Ins	struction 10.						
1. Name and Address Mares Michae	s of Reporting Person*		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP [ CWT ]	(Check	tionship of Reporting Pers all applicable) Director Officer (give title	n(s) to Issuer  10% Owner  Other (specify	
(Last) 1720 N. FIRST S	(First) STREET	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2024	X	below) Sr. Vice Presiden	below)	
(Street) SAN JOSE (City)	CA (State)	95112 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv	idual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Rep Form filed by More tha	` '. '	

### 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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	(Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/05/2024		A		1,616(1)	A	\$45.37	9,370.51	D	

# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ive ies ed (A) osed of	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\)	ate	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	(I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Restricted stock granted 3/5/2024 pursuant to the California Water Service Group equity incentive plan exempt under Rule 16-b-3. RSA vest one-third on 3/5/2025, with the remaining 2/3 vesting quarterly over the succeeding

/s/ Michelle R. Mortensen on behalf of Michael S Mares, Jr.

03/06/2024

\*\* 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).

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