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

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  KROPELNICKI MARTIN A  (Last) (First) (Middle)  (Street) |  |  |   |       |                                  | Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP [     cwt ]      3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)     03/05/2013      4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |  |         |  |   |        |          |               |                    | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director        |  |   |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|---|-------|----------------------------------|--|--|---------|--|---|--------|----------|---------------|--------------------|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| (City)  | (State)  | (Zi <sub>l</sub>                           |   |       | <u> </u>                         | , , ,  |  |         |  |   |        |          |               |                    |  |  |   |  |  |  |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned                  |  |  |   |       |                                  |  |  |         |  |   |        |          |               |                    |  |  |   |  |  |  |
| Date  |  |  |   |       | nnsaction<br>th/Day/Year)        |  | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year)  | n Date, | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8)  |   |        |          |               |                    | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially Owned<br>Following Reported<br>Transaction(s) |  | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) |  | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)  |  |
|   |  |  |   |       |                                  |  |  |         | Code   | v | Amount |          | (A) or<br>(D) | Price              | (Instr. 3 an   |  |   |  | (11150.4)  |  |
| Common Stock 03/0   |  |  |   |       | 03/05/2013                       |  |  |         | Р  |   | 7,75   |          | Α             | \$20.62            | 47,988   |  |   | D  |  |  |
|   | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |  |   |       |                                  |  |  |         |  |   |        |          |               |                    |  |  |   |  |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3)  | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security  | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Da<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/ | rear) | 4.<br>Transact<br>Code (In<br>8) |  | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D) (Instr. 3, 4<br>and 5) |         | 6. Date Exercisable ar Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Exercisable Date |   |        | or<br>Nu |               | derlying<br>curity | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)                                      | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) |   | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |

## Explanation of Responses:

## Remarks:

Restricted stock award granted 3/5/2013 pursuant to the California Water Service Group equity incentive plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16-b-3. The RSA vests with one-year cliff vesting term, vesting one-third one year from grant date, with the remaining two-thirds vesting monthly over the succeeding 24 months.

Lynne McGhee

03/06/2013

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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