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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* VERA GEORGE A (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP | | | | | | Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP [cwt] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/17/2003 | | | | | | | | | tionship of F all applicab Director Officer (g below) | 10 ive title Ot | | 10% Ov | 10% Owner Other (specify | |
|--|--|------------------|------------|---|---------------|--|---|--|---|---|--|--------------------|---|---|--|--|--|--------|---|--|
| 1720 NORTH FIRST STREET (Street) SAN JOSE CA 95112 | | | | | 4. If A | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Indiv | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zi _l | p) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Та | ble I - No | n-Deri | vativ | e Se | curitie | s Acq | uired, | Disp | osed of, | , or l | Benefi | cially Ow | ned | | | | | |
| Date | | | | | h/Day/Year) i | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 at | | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | | (A) or (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | , , | | |
| California Water Service Group 11/19 | | | | | | 19/2003 | | | Р | | 18.5943 | | Α | \$26.89 | 1,497.0456 | | | D | | |
| | 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) | rivative Conversion Date Execution Date, curity (Instr. 3) or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any | | | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amou Securities Underly Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4) | | derlying curity | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported | e s Illy | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | , | Code V | | (A) | (D) | Date Exercis | sable | Expiration Date | Title | | Amount or Number of Shares | | Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

Paul G. Ekstrom for George A.

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** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

11/19/2003

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

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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^{*} If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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