

# FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <b>FERRARO FRANCIS S</b>		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP [CWT]</b>		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <b>Vice President</b>	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>12/17/2004</b>		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
C/O CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP, 1720 NORTH FIRST STREET			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
(Street) <b>SAN JOSE, CA 95112</b>					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<b>Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned</b>		

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	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 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Common Stock	12/17/2004		M		3,000	A	\$ 23.0625	3,000	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2004		M		2,250	A	\$ 25.94	5,250	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2004		M		1,500	A	\$ 25.15	6,750	D	
Common stock	12/17/2004		S		6,750	D	\$ 35.20	0	D	

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

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**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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	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 Amount of Underlying Securities (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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Stock options (right to buy)	\$ 23.0625	12/17/2004		M		3,000		06/28/2004	06/24/2010	common stock	3,000	\$ 35.20	3,750	D	
Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 25.94	12/17/2004		M		2,250		01/02/2004	01/02/2011	common stock	2,250	\$ 35.20	1,500	D	
Stock options (right to buy)	\$ 25.15	12/17/2004		M		1,500		01/02/2004	01/02/2012	common stock	1,500	\$ 32.20	0	D	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

FERRARO FRANCIS S C/O CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP 1720 NORTH FIRST STREET SAN JOSE, CA 95112			Vice President	
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**Signatures**

Paul G. Ekstrom for Francis S. Ferraro		12/17/2004
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>		<small>Date</small>

**Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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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