

## 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 * <u>EKSTROM PAUL G</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP</u> <u>1720 NORTH FIRST STREET</u>  (Street) <u>SAN JOSE CA 95112</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP [</u> <u>cwt ]</u>  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>09/08/2005</u>  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>VP and Corporate Secretary</u>  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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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)	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			
California Water Service Group	09/08/2005		M		2,600	A	\$25.94	2,600	D	
California Water Service Group	09/08/2005		S		2,600	D	\$40	0	D	
California Water Service Group	09/08/2005		M		400	A	\$25.94	400	D	
California Water Service Group	09/08/2005		S		400	D	\$40.1	0	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)	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 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				
Stock option (right to buy)	\$25.94	09/08/2005		M			2,600	01/02/2005	01/02/2011	Common Stock	2,600	\$40	400	D	
Stock option (right to buy)	\$25.94	09/08/2005		M			400	01/02/2005	01/02/2011	Common Stock	400	\$40.1	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

Paul G. Ekstrom09/08/2005

\*\* 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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