

CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP

Form 4

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FORM 4

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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 *
Smegal Thomas F III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP [CWT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/14/2016

____ Director
____ Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)
VP, CFO & Treasurer

CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE COMPANY, 1720 NORTH FIRST STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

SAN JOSE, CA 95112

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	03/15/2016		M	A	4,901 (1) \$ 25.89	32,975	D
Common Stock	03/15/2016		F	D	1,841 (2) \$ 25.89	31,134	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 25.89	03/14/2016		M	7,500	03/04/2012 03/04/2018	Common Stock	2,000
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 25.89	03/14/2016		M	11,000	03/03/2013 03/03/2019	Common Stock	2,800

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Smegal Thomas F III CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE COMPANY 1720 NORTH FIRST STREET SAN JOSE, CA 95112			VP, CFO & Treasurer	

Signatures

/s/ Michelle Mortensen on behalf of Thomas F. Smegal III 03/15/2016

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).
- (1) Represents the number of shares withheld by and surrendered to the Issuer to satisfy the tax withholding obligations that arose in connection with the exercise of the Stock Appreciation Rights - option numbers 116 and 162.
- (2) SARs grant # 116 expires, 3/4/2018; SARs grant # 162 expires, 3/3/2019

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