

NELSON PETER C

Form 4

January 05, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
NELSON PETER C

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)

01/03/2006

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

President & CEO

C/O CALIFORNIA WATER
SERVICE GROUP, 1720 NORTH
FIRST STREET

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)

____X____ 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| California Water Service Group | 01/03/2006 | | A | 1,622.955 | A \$ 38.51 | 5,280.955 | D |
| California Water Service Group | | | | | | 2,375.482 | I 401-K |

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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|-----|--|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount Number Shares |
| Stock option (right to buy) | \$ 38.51 | 01/03/2006 | | J ⁽¹⁾ | | 1,622.955 | | 01/03/2007 | 01/03/2011 | Common Stock | 1,622 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

NELSON PETER C
C/O CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP
1720 NORTH FIRST STREET
SAN JOSE, CA 95112

President & CEO

Signatures

Dan L. Stockton for Peter C.
Nelson

01/05/2006

 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) Issued pursuant to the Company's Equity Incentive Plan, securities were granted on 1/3/06 at an exercise price of \$35.81 and subject to vesting at 1/48 per month over a four year period.

(2) To be determined at the exercise price.

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