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### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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response...

See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person SPROWLS ROBERT J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN STATES WATER CO [AWR]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
	(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		f Earliest T	ransaction	Director X Officer (give	10% Owner e title Other (specify	
	630 E FOO?	THILL BLVD		(Month/L 11/29/2	Day/Year) .007		below) below)  Sr. Vice President Finance		
				, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -,			St. Vice Fresident Pinance		
(Street)				4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
				Filed(Month/Day/Year)			Applicable Line)		
							_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
	SAN DIMA	S, CA 91773					Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficially Owned	
	1.Title of	2. Transaction I			3.	4. Securities Acquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership 7. Nature	
	Security	(Month/Day/Ye	ar) Execution	on Date, if	Transacti	on(A) or Disposed of (D)	Securities	Form: Direct Indirect	

(City)	(State) (	Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	11/28/2007		M	3,985	A	\$ 23.24	6,605.6439	D	
Common Stock	11/28/2007		M	1,976	A	\$ 33.73	8,581.6439	D	
Common Stock	11/28/2007		S	3,985	D	\$ 43.77	4,596.6439	D	
Common Stock	11/28/2007		S	1,976	D	\$ 43.73	2,620.6439	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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 23.24	11/28/2007		M	3,985	06/29/2005(1)	06/29/2014	Common stock	3,985
Employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 33.73	11/28/2007		M	1,976	02/02/2006(1)	02/02/2015	Common Stock	1,976

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Maine / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SPROWLS ROBERT J 630 E FOOTHILL BLVD SAN DIMAS, CA 91773

Sr. Vice President Finance

### **Signatures**

/s/ Robert J.

Sprowls 11/29/2007

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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## **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) The option became exercisable as to 33% of the total number of shares subject to the opton on 6/29/2005, 6/29/2006 and 6/29/2007

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