BONTA DIANA M Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(Street)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

BONTA DIANA M

Symbol

AMERICAN STATES WATER CO

(Check all applicable)

[AWR]

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

_X__ Director 10% Owner

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

05/22/2012

Officer (give title __ Other (specify

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

LOS ANGELES, CA 90035

1056 ALVIRA STREET

(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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acordisposed of (Disposed of (Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and)	d (A) or	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)	
Common Shares	02/14/2012		A	28.6056 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 36.76	7,755.7163	D		
Common Shares	05/14/2012		A	25.6616 <u>(2)</u>	A	\$ 36.87	7,781.3779	D		
Common Shares	05/22/2012		A	1,362.3978 (3)	A	\$ 36.7	9,143.7757	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
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						Date	Expiration		or Number		
						Exercisable	ole Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

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

BONTA DIANA M 1056 ALVIRA STREET X LOS ANGELES, CA 90035

Signatures

/s/ Diana M. Bonta 05/24/2012

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) DER units credited on 2/14/2012 as dividend at FMV
- (2) DER units credited on 5/14/2012 as dividend at FMV
- (3) RSU's awarded on 5/22/2012

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