SWITZER BRYAN K

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SWITZER BRYAN K			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			AMERICAN STATES WATER CO [AWR]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	Director 10% Owner			
630 E FOOTHILL BLVD			(Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
			08/10/2012	Vice President			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
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SAN DIMAS, CA 91773				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	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 (A) Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Shares	06/01/2012		Code V A	Amount 32.1037 (1)	(D) A	Price \$ 36.61	(Instr. 3 and 4) 7,584.3193	D	
Common Shares	08/10/2012		M	2,894	A	\$ 33.73	10,478.3193	D	
Common Shares	08/10/2012		M	4,302	A	\$ 38.62	14,780.3193	D	
Common Shares	08/10/2012		M	2,887	A	\$ 34.11	17,667.3193	D	
Common Shares	08/10/2012		M	6,200	A	\$ 34.57	23,867.3193	D	

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Common Shares	08/10/2012	M	1,874	A	\$ 33.36	25,741.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	500	D	\$ 43.14	25,241.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	804	D	\$ 43.15	24,437.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	1,000	D	\$ 43.16	23,437.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	396	D	\$ 43.17	23,041.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	1,500	D	\$ 43.18	21,541.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	1,100	D	\$ 43.19	20,441.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	600	D	\$ 43.2	19,841.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	2,000	D	\$ 43.21	17,841.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	250	D	\$ 43.22	17,591.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	397	D	\$ 43.23	17,194.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	100	D	\$ 43.24	17,094.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	907	D	\$ 43.25	16,187.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	400	D	\$ 43.3	15,787.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	300	D	\$ 43.31	15,487.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	500	D	\$ 43.32	14,987.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	100	D	\$ 43.33	14,887.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	400	D	\$ 43.34	14,487.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	1,100	D	\$ 43.35	13,387.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	200	D	\$ 43.36	13,187.3193	D
	08/10/2012	S	100	D		13,087.3193	D

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Common Shares					\$ 43.38		
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	200	D	\$ 43.47	12,887.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	100	D	\$ 43.48	12,787.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	203	D	\$ 43.57	12,584.3193	D
Common Shares	08/10/2012	S	300	D	\$ 43.58	12,284.3193	D

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Secur Acqu (A) o Dispo (D)	rities nired or osed of 3, 4,	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	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.73	08/10/2012		M		2,894	01/29/2007	01/29/2016	Common Shares	2,894
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.62	08/10/2012		M		4,302	01/01/2008	01/01/2017	Common Shares	4,302
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 34.11	08/10/2012		M		2,887	01/27/2009	01/27/2018	Common Shares	2,887

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Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 34.57	08/10/2012	M	6,200	01/29/2010	01/29/2019	Common Shares	6,200
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.36	08/10/2012	M	1,874	01/31/2011	01/31/2020	Common Shares	1,874

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SWITZER BRYAN K 630 E FOOTHILL BLVD SAN DIMAS, CA 91773

Vice President

Signatures

/s/ Bryan K. Switzer 08/13/2012

**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 6/1/2012 as dividend at FMV

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