#### Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP - Form 4

Form 4	A WATER SERV	VICE GR	ROUP								
April 11, 2006 FORM 4 LINITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANCE COMMISSION								OMB APPROVAL			
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSI Washington, D.C. 20549						OMMISSION	OMB Number:	3235-0287			
if no long subject to Section 10 Form 4 or Form 5 obligation	er <b>STATEM</b>	<b>STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF</b> <b>SECURITIES</b> Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,								Expires:January 31, 2005Estimated average burden hours per response0.5	
may conti <i>See</i> Instru 1(b).	nue. Section 17(a			ility Hold vestment (	•	· ·		1935 or Section 0	1		
(Print or Type R	esponses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> EKSTROM PAUL G			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP [cwt]				-	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner			
(Lost)											
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP, 1720 NORTH FIRST STREET			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/04/2006					Diffector give title Other (specify below) below) Vice President			
SAN JOSE,	(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						
(City)	(State) (2	Zip)	Table	e I - Non-De	erivative <b>S</b>	Securi	ties Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	any					cquired d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	OwnershipIndiaForm: DirectBene(D) orOwner	7. Nature of Indirect		
California				Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Water Service Group	01/04/2006			А	325	А	\$ 38.51	325	D		
California Water Service Group								263.034	I	401-K	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

#### Edgar Filing: CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP - Form 4

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

## 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and prof Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Nur of Sha
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 38.51	01/04/2006		A <u>(1)</u>	2,500	02/04/2006(2)	01/04/2016	Common Stock	2,

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
EKSTROM PAUL G C/O CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP 720 NORTH FIRST STREET SAN JOSE, CA 95112			Vice President			
Signatures						

Date

# Signatures

E C 1' S

Dan L. Stockton for Paul G. 04/11/2006 Ekstrom

\*\*Signature of 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) Issued pursuant to the Company's Equity Incentive Plan. Rights were granted on 1/4/06 with a strike price of \$38.51 and subject to vesting at 1/48 per month over a four year period.
- (2) Vests 1/48 per month beginning in 2/4/06 over a four year period.
- (3) Also holds 1,500 in stock options previously reported.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.