#### KRUGER DENISE L

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KRUGER DENISE L			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN STATES WATER CO [AWR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5775 SOUTHVIEW		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/24/2012	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. Vice President		
	(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		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-E	Derivative (	Securi	ities Acqu	uired, 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 Acquain Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			of (D)	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	06/01/2012		Code V A	Amount 40.356 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 36.61	10,440.9427	D	
Common Shares	08/24/2012		M	5,400	A	\$ 33.73	15,840.9427	D	
Common Shares	08/24/2012		M	5,378	A	\$ 38.62	21,218.9427	D	
Common Shares	08/24/2012		M	3,609	A	\$ 34.11	24,827.9427	D	
Common Shares	08/24/2012		M	7,600	A	\$ 34.57	32,427.9427	D	

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Common Shares	08/24/2012	M	2,250	A	\$ 33.36	34,677.9427	D
Common Shares	08/24/2012	S	3,957	D	\$ 43.4	30,720.9427	D
Common Shares	08/24/2012	S	20,280	D	\$ 43.31	10,440.9427	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)	5. Number on 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 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	08/24/2012		M		5,400	01/29/2007	01/29/2016	Common Shares	5,400
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.62	08/24/2012		M		5,378	01/01/2008	01/01/2017	Common Shares	5,378
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 34.11	08/24/2012		M		3,609	01/27/2009	01/27/2018	Common Shares	3,609
Employee Stock Options (Right to	\$ 34.57	08/24/2012		M		7,600	01/29/2010	01/29/2019	Common Shares	7,600

Buy)

Employee

Stock
Options \$ 33.36 08/24/2012 M 2,250 01/31/2011 01/31/2020 Common Shares 2,250

(Right to Buy)

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KRUGER DENISE L 5775 SOUTHVIEW

Sr. Vice President

YORBA LINDA, CA 92887

## **Signatures**

/s/ Denise Kruger 08/27/2012

\*\*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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