### **CHANG SHENGDER DAVID**

Form 4

August 31, 2012

# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CHANG SHENGDER DAVID			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> 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			
22872 CAMINITO ORO			(Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY			
			08/30/2012				
(	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
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Person

#### LAGUNA HILLS, CA 92653

(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)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) onr Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (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	06/01/2012		Code V A	Amount 32.1037 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 36.61	6,674.4476	D		
Common Shares	08/30/2012		M	750	A	\$ 25.55	7,424.4476	D		
Common Shares	08/30/2012		M	750	A	\$ 25.92	8,174.4476	D		
Common Shares	08/30/2012		M	750	A	\$ 33.73	8,924.4476	D		
Common Shares	08/30/2012		M	4,163	A	\$ 34.11	13,087.4476	D		

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Common Shares	08/30/2012	M	6,200	A	\$ 34.57	19,287.4476	D
Common Shares	08/30/2012	S	12,613	D	\$ 43.5	6,674.4476	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	tive Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) of		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)	\$ 25.55	08/30/2012		M	750	02/01/2005	02/01/2014	Common Shares	750
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.92	08/30/2012		М	750	01/02/2006	01/02/2015	Common Shares	750
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.73	08/30/2012		M	750	01/29/2007	01/29/2016	Common Shares	750
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 34.11	08/30/2012		M	4,163	01/27/2009	01/27/2018	Common Shares	4,163
	\$ 34.57	08/30/2012		M	6,200	01/29/2010	01/29/2019		6,200

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Employee Common Stock Shares

(Right to Buy)

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CHANG SHENGDER DAVID 22872 CAMINITO ORO LAGUNA HILLS, CA 92653

VP ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

### **Signatures**

/s/ Shengder D. 08/31/2012 Chang

\*\*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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