

TANG EVA G  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
TANG EVA G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AMERICAN STATES WATER CO  
[AWR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1544 MANOR GATE DRIVE  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/01/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) Sr. Vice President & CFO  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

HACIENDA HEIGHTS, CA 91745-3833

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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                   | 02/01/2012                           |                                                    | F                              | (A) or (D)<br>D                                                   | 287,531.11<br>(1)<br>\$ 36.17                                                                 | D                                                        |                                                       |
| Common Shares                   | 02/01/2012                           |                                                    | A                              | A                                                                 | 305.048<br>\$ 0                                                                               | I                                                        | 401K                                                  |
| Common Shares                   | 02/01/2012                           |                                                    | M                              | A                                                                 | 3,700<br>\$ 25.55                                                                             | D                                                        |                                                       |
| Common Shares                   | 02/01/2012                           |                                                    | S                              | D                                                                 | 3,000<br>\$ 36.5                                                                              | D                                                        |                                                       |
| Common Shares                   | 02/01/2012                           |                                                    | S                              | D                                                                 | 700<br>\$ 37                                                                                  | D                                                        |                                                       |

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)      | \$ 25.55                                               | 02/01/2012                           |                                                    | M                              | 3,700                                                                                   | 02/01/2005 <sup>(2)</sup> 02/01/2014                     | Common Shares                                                 | 3,700                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                         | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|                                                                        | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| TANG EVA G<br>1544 MANOR GATE DRIVE<br>HACIENDA HEIGHTS, CA 91745-3833 |               |           | Sr. Vice<br>President &<br>CFO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Eva G. Tang                      02/02/2012  
 \*\*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) 690 previously reported RSU's of which 287.5311 were withheld to satisfy tax withholding
- (2) The option became exercisable as to 33% of the total number of shares subject to the option on 1/1/2004, 33% on 2/1/2006 and 34% on 2/1/2007.

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