

SCHMITT DAVID L
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 SCHMITT DAVID L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS INC
 [CWST]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 General Counsel & VP

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS, INC., 25 GREENS HILL LANE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 06/11/2009

RUTLAND, VT 05701
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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)

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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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	06/11/2009		A	14,295 <u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	Class A Common Stock	14,295

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
SCHMITT DAVID L C/O CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS, INC. 25 GREENS HILL LANE RUTLAND, VT 05701	General Counsel & VP

Signatures

/s/David L. Schmitt 07/06/2009

____Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) Represents the award of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") under the Casella Waste Systems, Inc. ("Casella") 2006 Stock Incentive Plan. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Casella's Class A Common Stock.
- (2) RSUs reported on this Form 4 shall vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the Grant Date. The grant to the Reporting Person reported on this Form 4 also includes RSUs that vest upon achievement by Casella of specified performance measures. These RSUs will be reported upon vesting pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and applicable regulations thereunder.
- (3) Upon vesting, the Reporting Person is entitled to receive one share of Casella's Class A Common Stock per vested Restricted Stock Unit.

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