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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 * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Smegal Thomas F III Issuer Symbol CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE (Check all applicable) **GROUP** [CWT] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE 01/04/2016 VP, CFO & Treasurer COMPANY, 1720 NORTH FIRST STREET (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SAN JOSE, CA 95112 Person

| (City) | (State) | Zip) Table | I - Non-Do | erivative : | Secur | 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securit n(A) or Di (Instr. 3, | (A) or | d 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 Stock | 01/04/2016 | | F | 31 (1) | D | \$ 23.15 | 41,886 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/05/2016 | | F | 37 (2) | D | \$ 23.24 | 41,849 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/06/2016 | | F | 45 (3) | D | \$ 23.51 | 41,804 | 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 o | f 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exer | cisable and | 7. Titl | e and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------------|----------------|-------------|---------|----------|-------------|--------|
| Derivativ | e Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | onNumber Expiration Date | | ate | Amou | nt of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | /Year) | Under | lying | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivativ | e | | Securi | ities | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
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| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
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| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Smegal Thomas F III CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE COMPANY 1720 NORTH FIRST STREET SAN JOSE, CA 95112

VP, CFO & Treasurer

Signatures

/s/ Michelle Mortensen on behalf of Thomas F. Smegal III

01/06/2016

**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 number of shares withheld by and surrendered to the Issuer to satisfy the tax withholding obligations that arose in connection with the vesting of the Restricted Stock Award (RSA) Award #284.
- (2) Represents the number of shares withheld by and surrendered to the Issuer to satisfy the tax withholding obligations that arose in connection with the vesting of the Restricted Stock Award (RSA) Award #269.
- (3) Represents the number of shares withheld by and surrendered to the Issuer to satisfy the tax withholding obligations that arose in connection with the vesting of the Restricted Stock Award (RSA) Award #239.

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