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January 31, 2002

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549
FORM 5
ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP
( ) Check box if no longer subject to Section 16.
Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).
( ) Form 3 Holdings Reported
( ) Form 4 Transactions Reported
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
   Sparks, Carolyn M.
   5241 Spring Mountain Road
  Las Vegas, NV 89150
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
  Southwest Gas Corporation
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Year
   12/31/2001
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
   (X) Director ( ) 10% Owner ( ) Officer (give title below) ( ) Other
   (specify below)
7. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (Check Applicable Line)
   (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
   ( ) Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
                            |2. |3. |4.Securities Acquired (A)
1. Title of Security
                                                                       |5.Amount of
                            |Transaction| or Disposed of (D)
                                                                           | Securities
                            |Date |Code|
                                                                          | Beneficially
                                                          | A/|
                                 | Owned at
                                  | Amount
                                                         | D | Price | End of Year
Common Stock
                                16,684 (2)
Table II -- Derivative Securitites Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
1. Title of Derivative | 2.Con | 3. | 4. | 5. Number of De | 6. Date Exer | 7. Title and Amount | 8. F
                       |version |Transaction rivative Secu |cisable and| of Underlying
|or Exer |Date |Code| rities Acqui |Expiration | Securities
 Security
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| | Date |Expir|
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                                    | | | A/|Exer-|ation| Title and Number | | | D |cisa-|Date | of Shares |
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Stock Option		05/10 A /2001					ommon Stock 2,000	
(right to buy)		l I	ı	 			l	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) The option vests in three annual installments of 800 shares in 2002, 600 shares in 2003, and 600 shares in 2004, beginning on May 10, 2002.

(2) Includes 61 shares acquired in 2001 pursuant to the dividend reinvestment plan.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/s/Carolyn M. Sparks by Faye J. Ringler, Attorney in fact ${\tt DATE}$

01/31/2002