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January 31, 2002

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 Maffie, Michael O 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 (X) Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below)

President and Chief Executive Officer

- 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 S	ecuriti	es Ac	quired, Dispose	ed of, or Benef	icially	owned
1. Title of Security		actio	4.Securities on or Disposed le Amount	d of (D)		5.Amount of
Common Stock	I		I	l l		14,276 (2)
Common Stock			·			64,131(3)
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Common Stock			l			3,391

1.Title of Derivative	2.Con	13.	4.	5.Number of De	6.Date Exer 7	.Title and Amount	8.P
Security	version	Tran	sactio	n rivative Secu	cisable and	of Underlying	of
	or Exer	Date	Code	rities Acqui	Expiration	Securities	vat

Table II -- Derivative Securitites Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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	cise Pr ice of Deriva tive Secu rity		 	red(A) or posed of(Amount	(D) A/	Day/Ye Date Exer-	ear) Expir ation	Title and of Shares	Number	Sec rit
Employee Stock Option	\$23.36 	07/17 /2001		50 , 000	A 		07/16 Com	nmon Stock	50,000	
(right to buy)								I	!	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) The option vests in three annual installments of 20,000 shares in 2002, 15,000 shares in 2003, and 15,000 shares in 2004, beginning July 17, 2002.
- (2) Includes 524 shares acquired in 2001 pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of the SWX 401(k) plan.
- (3) Includes 1,971 shares acquried in 2001 pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of SWX restricted stock plan.
- (4) Includes 2 share acquired in 2001 pursuant to the dividend reinvestment plan.
- (5) Includes 124 shares acquired in 2001 pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of the SWX 401(k) plan.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/s/Michael O. Maffie by Faye J. Ringler, Attorney in fact ${\tt DATE}$

01/31/2002