

CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP

Form 4

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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 \*  
FERRARO FRANCIS S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP, 1720 NORTH FIRST STREET

(Street)

SAN JOSE, CA 95112

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP [cwt]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
09/01/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Vice President

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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |  |
| California Water Service Group  | 09/01/2005                           |  | M                              |   | 550 A \$ 25.94  | 550  | D  |
| California Water Service Group  | 09/01/2005                           |  | S                              |   | 550 D \$ 40   | 0  | D  |
| California Water                | 09/01/2005                           |  | M                              |   | 50 A \$ 25.15   | 50   | D  |

Service  
Group

California  
Water  
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Group

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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) | 8. P... Der... Sec... (Ins... |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                         | Amount or Number of Shares |
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Code   | V   | (A)                           | (D)                        |
| Stock option (right to buy)                | \$ 25.94   | 09/01/2005                           |  | M                              | 550   | 01/02/2005 01/02/2011                                    | Common Stock  | 550                           | \$                         |
| Stock option (right to buy)                | \$ 25.15   | 09/01/2005                           |  | M                              | 50  | 01/02/2005 01/02/2012                                    | Common Stock  | 50                            | \$                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| FERRARO FRANCIS S<br>C/O CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP<br>1720 NORTH FIRST STREET<br>SAN JOSE, CA 95112 |               |           | Vice<br>President |       |

## Signatures

Paul G. Ekstrom for Francis S.  
Ferraro

09/02/2005

\_\_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).

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