

CASELLA JOHN W  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
CASELLA JOHN W

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)  
Chief Executive Officer

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
06/14/2012

(Street)  
RUTLAND, VT 05701

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
Class A Common Stock	06/14/2012		M <sup>(5)</sup>	7,664	A	\$ 0	272,265	D
Class A Common Stock	06/16/2012		M <sup>(5)</sup>	13,424	A	\$ 0	285,689	D
Class A Common Stock							694	I
								See Footnote (3)

Class B Common Stock	494,100	D	
Class A Common Stock	91,246	I	See Footnote <u>(4)</u>

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. Amount or Number of Shares			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	06/14/2012		M <sup>(5)</sup>		7,664		<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Class A Common Stock	7,664
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	06/16/2012		M <sup>(5)</sup>		13,424		<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Class A Common Stock	13,424

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CASELLA JOHN W C/O CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS 25 GREENS HILL LANE RUTLAND, VT 05701	X		Chief Executive Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ Shelley S. Field, Attorney in Fact for John W.  
Casella

06/18/2012

\_\_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) These RSUs vest in three equal installments beginning on June 14, 2012, and are being reported upon the vesting pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and applicable regulations thereunder.
- (3) Held by Mr. Casella's spouse. Mr. Casella disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities to the extent to which he does not have an actual pecuniary interest in such securities.
- (4) Held in trust for the benefit of Mr. Casella's children. Mr. Casella disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities to the extent to which he does not have an actual pecuniary interest in such securities.
- (5) Reflects the settlement of vested RSUs for shares of Class A Common Stock.
- (6) These RSUs vest in three equal installments beginning on June 16, 2011, and are being reported upon the vesting pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and applicable regulations thereunder.

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