## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person *  Townsley Paul G. |   |  |                                  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP [CWT] |         |   |          |                       |  |  | Direc   | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  VP, Rates & Reg Matters |                                  |   |   |  |
|--|---|--|----------------------------------|--|---------|---|----------|-----------------------|--|--|---|---|----------------------------------|---|---|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>1720 NORTH FIRST STREET       |   |  |                                  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/03/2016                      |         |   |          |                       |  |  | VP, F   | cales & Reg   | Matters                          |   |   |  |
| (Street)   |   |  |                                  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                             |         |   |          |                       |  | _X_ Form fi  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |   |                                  |   |   |  |
| SAN JOS<br>(City   | SE, CA 95   | (State)                                    | (Zip)                            |  |         |   |          |                       |  |  |   |   |                                  |   |   |  |
| (City  | ,   | (State)                                    | (Zip)                            |  | T       | able I  | - Non    | ı-Der                 | ivative S  | Securiti   | es Aco  | quired, Disp  | osed of, or l                    | Beneficially  | Owned   |  |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)                           |   | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, in | 3. Transact<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8)  |         | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |          |                       | ) Beneficia  | 5. Amount of Securities<br>Beneficially Owned Following<br>Reported Transaction(s) |   |   | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial |   |   |  |
|  |   |  |                                  | (Month/Da  | y/Year  |   |          |                       |  | (A)<br>or  |   | (Instr. 3 and 4)  |                                  |   | (I)   | Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)                            |
| Common   | Stock   |  | 09/03/2016                       |  |         |   | ode<br>F | V                     | Amoun 25 (1)   | t (D)  | \$ 31.0   | 11 681  | 11,681                           |   | (Instr. 4)  |  |
| Common Stock   |   | 09/04/2016                                 |                                  |  | -       | F   |          | 27 (2)                | D  | \$ 31.0  | 11 654  | 1,654   |                                  | D   |   |  |
| Reminder:  | Report on a s   | separate line fo                           |                                  | Derivative :   | Securit | ties Ac   | equire   | Pers<br>cont<br>the f | sons whatained in<br>form dis                                  | no resp<br>n this fo<br>splays   | orm a<br>a cur<br>enefic  | to the colle<br>are not req<br>rently valid   | uired to res<br>I OMB con        | spond unle  | ess   | 1474 (9-02)  |
| 1. Title of  | la  | 3. Transactio                              |                                  | (e.g., puts, c   | alls, w | arran<br>5.   | ts, op   |                       |  |  |   | es)<br>. Title and  | 9 Dries of                       | 9. Number   | of 10.  | 11. Natur  |
|  | Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | Date                                       | Execution Da<br>Year) any        | Transaction<br>Code<br>Year) (Instr. 8)  |         | Number a  |          | and                   | 6. Date Exercisable<br>and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |  | A<br>U<br>Se  | mount of inderlying ecurities instr. 3 and  |                                  | Derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction<br>(Instr. 4) | Owners<br>Form of<br>Derivati<br>Security<br>Direct (1<br>or Indire | of Indirect<br>Beneficia<br>Ownershi<br>(Instr. 4) |
|  |   |  |                                  | Code   | e V     | (A)   | (D)      | Date<br>Exer          |  | Expirati<br>Date   | ion Ti  | Amount or Number of Shares  |                                  |   |   |  |

### **Reporting Owners**

|   | Relationships |              |                         |       |  |  |  |
|---|---------------|--------------|-------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                    | Director      | 10%<br>Owner | Officer                 | Other |  |  |  |
| Townsley Paul G.<br>1720 NORTH FIRST STREET<br>SAN JOSE, CA 95112 |               |              | VP, Rates & Reg Matters |       |  |  |  |

### **Signatures**

| /s/ Michelle Mortensen on behalf of Paul G. Townsley | 09/06/2016 |
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| **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 #343.
- (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 #285.

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