# FORM 4

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

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|--|--|--|----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|---|---------|--------------|---|-------------------------------|--|--|---|--|---|----------------------------------|-------------|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* McGhee Lynne P                        |  |  |                                  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP [CWT] |                                 |   |         |              |   |                               |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)             |   |  |   |                                  |             |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE COMPANY, 1720 N. FIRST STREET |  |  |                                  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/03/2017                      |                                 |   |         |              |   |                               | /Year)   |  | VP,   | , General Co   | unsel   |                                  |             |
| (Street) SAN JOSE, CA 95112  |  |  |                                  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                             |                                 |   |         |              |   |                               | /Day/Year)   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |   |  |   |                                  |             |
| (City  |  | (State)                                    | (Zip)                            |  |                                 | Tabl  | e I - N | Jon-         | Deri                                    | vative S                      | Securitie  | s Acau   | ired Disn   | osed of or I   | Reneficially  | Owned                            |             |
| 1.Title of Security<br>(Instr. 3)  |  | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if |  | 3. Transa<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) |   | nsact   |              |   |                               | 5. Amount of Securities<br>Beneficially Owned Following<br>Reported Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  | 6.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)                            | Beneficial<br>Ownership  |   |                                  |             |
|  |  |  |                                  |  |                                 | Code  | e       | V            | Amour                                   | (A) or (D)                    | Price  |  |   |  | or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)                          | (Instr. 4)                       |             |
| Common   | Stock  |  | 03/03/2017                       |  |                                 |   | F       |              |   | 41 <sup>(1)</sup>             | D  | \$<br>36.5   | 20,202  |  |   | D                                |             |
| Common Stock 03/04/2017  |  | 03/04/2017                                 |                                  |  |                                 | F   |         |              | 44 (2)                                  | D                             | \$<br>36.5   | 20,158   | 20,158  |  | D   |                                  |             |
| Common Stock   |  | 03/04/2017                                 |                                  |  |                                 | A   |         |              | 3,531<br>(3)                            | A                             | \$<br>36.5   | 23,689   |   |  | D   |                                  |             |
| Common Stock   |  | 03/04/2017                                 |                                  |  |                                 | F   |         |              | 1,926<br>(4)                            | D                             | \$<br>36.5   | 21,763   |   |  | D   |                                  |             |
| Reminder:  | Report on a s  | separate line f                            | or each class of secur           |  |                                 |   |         | P<br>c<br>tl | erso<br>onta<br>he fo                   | ons wh<br>nined in<br>orm dis | o respo<br>n this fo<br>plays a  | orm ar   | e not requently valid   |  | ormation<br>spond unle<br>trol numbe                | ss                               | 1474 (9-02) |
|  | 1  |  | (                                | e.g., puts   |                                 | warr  |         | opti         | ons,                                    | conver                        | ible sec   | urities)   |   | ı  |   |                                  |             |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                            | 2. 3. Transacti Conversion Date or Exercise Price of Derivative Security |  | Execution Dat                    | Co   | de                              | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |         | ve es d      | and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                               |  | Am<br>Und<br>Sec   | ount of derlying urities tr. 3 and Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | Owners Form of Derivati Security Direct ( or Indire | Beneficia Ownershi (Instr. 4) D) |             |
|  |  |  |                                  | C  | ode V                           | V (A  | A) (E   | I            | Date<br>Exerc                           |                               | Expiration<br>Date   | on Titl  | Amount<br>or<br>e Number<br>of<br>Shares                          |  |   |                                  |             |

## **Reporting Owners**

|  | Relationships |              |                     |       |  |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|--------------|---------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Director      | 10%<br>Owner | Officer             | Other |  |  |  |  |
| McGhee Lynne P<br>CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE COMPANY<br>1720 N. FIRST STREET<br>SAN JOSE, CA 95112 |               |              | VP, General Counsel |       |  |  |  |  |

#### **Signatures**

| /s/ Michelle Mortensen on behalf of Lynne P. McGhee | 03/07/2017 |
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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 #339.
- (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 #282.
- (3) On 3/4/2014, the reporting person was granted a Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) of 2,622 shares of common stock. The RSU vested in full based on satisfaction of certain performance criteria approved by the Board of Directors. The performance criteria was met resulting in 135% payout of the original goal.
- (4) 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 Unit (RSU) Award #316.

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