

Chesla Mark
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Chesla Mark

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 American Water Works Company, Inc. [AWK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1025 LAUREL OAK ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/20/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Vice President & Controller

VOORHEES, NJ 08043

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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 | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 2,398.5335 | D | |

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)

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| 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Performance Stock Unit | <u>(1)</u> | 02/20/2009 | 02/20/2009 | A | 2,374 | <u>(1)</u> 12/31/2011 | Common Stock | 2,374 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 20.7 | 02/20/2009 | 02/20/2009 | A | 13,253 | <u>(2)</u> 12/31/2015 | Common Stock | 13,253 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Chesla Mark 1025 LAUREL OAK ROAD VOORHEES, NJ 08043 | | | Vice President & Controller | |

Signatures

/s/ Karen K. Pettiford-Wilson by Power of Attorney previously filed 02/24/2009

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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Each performance stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock. The actual number of performance stock units that may be earned will be based on the Issuer's annual total stockholder return ("TSR") relative to the performance of the Dow Jones Utility Index over the three-year performance period beginning on January 1, 2009 and ending December

(1) 31, 2011. Threshold (50% of the units earned if target levels of performance are achieved), target and maximum (150% of target) amounts of performance units will be earned if the if the Issuer's TSR relative to the Dow Jones Utility Index is 25%, 50% and 75%, respectively. The number of performance stock units shown in column 5 is equal to the maximum number of performance stock units that may be earned.

(2) The options vest in three equal installments on January 1, 2010, 2011 and 2012.

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