CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(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)
01/04/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
California Water Service Group	01/04/2006		A		325	A	$ 38.51	325	D	
California Water Service Group								995.53	I	401-K

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 Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nur of Sha
Stock Appreciation Rights	$ 38.51	01/04/2006		A(1)		2,500		02/04/2006(2)	01/04/2016	Common Stock	2,5

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

Dan L. Stockton for Francis S. Ferraro — 05/11/2006

**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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(1) Issued pursuant to the Company's Equity Incentive Plan. Rights were granted on 1/4/06 with a strike price of $38.51 and subject to vesting at 1/48 per month over a four year period.

(2) To be determined at the exercise price.

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