

Patterson William  
Form 4  
February 24, 2009

**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Patterson William

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  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)  
SVP, Corp & Business Development

VOORHEES, NJ 08043

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

**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 (D) Price			

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	02/20/2009	02/20/2009	A	3,892		<u>(1)</u>		12/31/2011		Common Stock	3,892
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.7	02/20/2009	02/20/2009	A	21,727		<u>(2)</u>		12/31/2015		Common Stock	21,727

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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1025 LAUREL OAK ROAD  
VOORHEES, NJ 08043

SVP, Corp & Business Development

## 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).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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 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 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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