

TANG EVA G
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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 *
TANG EVA G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AMERICAN STATES WATER CO
[AWR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1544 MANOR GATE DRIVE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/20/2012

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

HACIENDA HEIGHTS, CA 91745-3833

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
				Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Shares	12/20/2012		M	3,800 A \$ 34.57	13,927.6204	D	
Common Shares	12/20/2012		S	3,800 D \$ 48	10,127.6204	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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(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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 34.57	12/20/2012		M	3,800	01/29/2010 01/29/2019	Common Shares 3,800

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TANG EVA G 1544 MANOR GATE DRIVE HACIENDA HEIGHTS, CA 91745-3833			Sr. Vice President & CFO	

Signatures

/s/ Eva G. Tang 12/21/2012
 **Signature of Date
 Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

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