

AMERICAN STATES WATER CO
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Cotton, III James C

 (Last) (First) (Middle)
 11905 TEESIDE DR
 (Street)
 FREDERICKSBURG, VA 22407
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 01/31/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Senior Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Shares	06/01/2016		A		14.1332 (1) \$ 39.83	D	
Common Shares	09/01/2016		A		14.5712 (2) \$ 38.85	D	
Common Shares	12/01/2016		A		14.4087 (3) \$ 42.69	D	
Common Shares	12/30/2016		D		440.29 (4) \$ 0	I	401k
Common Shares	12/30/2016		D		1.7952 (5) \$ 0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

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- (1) DER units credited on 6/1/2016 as dividend at FMV
- (2) DER units credited on 9/1/2016 as dividend at FMV
- (3) DER units credited on 12/1/2016 as dividend at FMV
- (4) Updated 401k
- (5) Adjustment due to partial share
- (6) 447.0403 previously reported RSU's of which 171.6637 were withheld to satisfy tax liability
- (7) 441.9897 previously reported RSU's of which 169.7240 were withheld to satisfy tax liability
- (8) 399.8811 previously reported RSU's of which 153.5547 were withheld to satisfy tax liability

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